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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The House made quick work to-day with the bill for the admission of Mississippi. General BUTLER reported from the Reconstruction Committee a bill precisely similar to that admitting Virginia. Mr. BECK, from the minority of the same Committee, reported a substitute, the same that Mr. BINGHAM offered and carried through the House originally in behalf of Virginia. A sharp though brief debate followed, when the vote was had on Mr. BECK's substitute. BUTLER was evidently confident that he would carry the bill as reported, but as the roll-call went, it became apparent that the vote would be very close, and BUTLER had to drum up his strength to beat the substitute. The vote resulted, yeas 95, nays 95. The main bill was then agreed to by a party vote, save Mr. HOAR, who, it will be remembered, also voted against the bill admitting Virginia. The Senate Judiciary Committee, which has the case of Mississippi before it, will probably report an unconditional bill, as they did in the case of Virginia; but the Senate will unquestionably concur in the House bill as passed to-day.

REJECTION OF MR. HOAR.

The suspense concerning Mr. HOAR's nomination is over. His opponents in Executive Session this afternoon consented to allow his nomination to be taken from the table on condition that there should be a vote without debate, which resulted in his rejection by the emphatic vote of twenty-four to thirty-three. I shall not undertake to give a list of the Senators who voted for or against him as it cannot be done with correctness, and the bad blood growing out of the matter no longer needs any further infusion of bitterness.

THE NAVY APPROPRIATIONS.

The question of transferring appropriations from one bureau in the Navy Department to another, so as to continue the work in the yards recently suspended, and thereby enable the Department to finish certain repairs which had been begun, occupied a large part of the time in both Houses to-day. The Secretary of the Navy and Admiral PORTER were before the House Committee of Appropriations for two hours this morning, and answered numerous questions regarding the necessity for this appropriation. The proposal of the Secretary was that four millions of the unexpended balances should be taken from the Bureaus of Navigation, Yards and Docks, Provisions and Clothing, and Equipment and Recruiting, and transferred $2,000,000 to the Bureau of Construction and Repair, and $1,000,000 to the Bureau of Steam Engineering. The Committee finally agreed to give these Bureaus an appropriation of $3,000,000 outright, and to cover into the Treasury $3,000,000 of the unexpended balances belonging to the bureaus above alluded to. The amounts were divided as follows: $1,000,000 for the Bureau of Construction and Repair, and $1,000,000 for the Bureau of Steam Engineering. When the bill reached the House it was attacked from all quarters, and a long wrangling debate occurred. The only statesmanlike speech that was made was that of General BANKS, who defended the expenditure on broad grounds of national policy. Finally Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, who evidently estimates the cost of a man-of-war by the cost of a prairie schooner, offered an amendment cutting down the sum for construction to $1,000,000, and the sum for engineering to $500,000, making a total of $1,500,000. The clause covering into the Treasury $3,000,000 of the unexpended balances of the other bureaus, was untouched, and in this shape the bill passed the House. In the Senate a similar bill was reported granting a transfer of the three millions asked for. No progress was made with it beyond adopting an amendment offered by Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, which actually repeals the Eight-hour law. It simply provides that the Government shall pay the same rate for ten hours' work that private employes pay; or, in other words, ten hours' pay for ten hours work.

THE FUNDING BILL.

The Funding bill reported to-day from the Senate Finance Committee, attracts much attention by its important and comprehensive features, which were fully foreshadowed in the Washington dispatches to the TIMES of Tuesday last. The bill is given in full elsewhere, but its points may be recapitulated as follows:

1. Three series of bonds, bearing respectively four, four and a half, and five per cent. interest, running respectively forty, thirty, and twenty years, and redeemable respectively at ten, fifteen and ten years. 2. Interest and principal payable in coin, either at home or at London, Paris, Frankfort or Berlin. 3. A commission of one per cent. for expenses of negotiation. 4. The issue of each series limited to $400,000,000, save the four per cent., which are unlimited. 5. Sinking funds limited to the annual difference between the amount of interest on the public debt, and the sum of $100,000,000 in gold, which is appropriated for both purposes. 6. Banks are required, after the 1st day of October, 1870, to replace their present securities with the new bonds in proportion of one-third of each series, and in case of failure to do so to surrender their circulation or deposit United States notes for its redemption, and receive their bonds. Circulation on these bonds is limited to eighty per cent. Free banking is also authorized on the basis of the four per cent. bonds, the bonds to be purchased with United States notes, and an amount of such notes to be canceled equal in amount to the bank circulation so issued.

THE GOLD PLOT INVESTIGATION.

The Banking and Currency Committee have unanimously prolonged the gold conspiracy investigation by developing positively the fact that the dispatch of Secretary BOUTWELL to sell $4,000,000 of gold on Sept. 24, was known on the street several minutes before it was received by the Sub-Treasurer. The telegraph operators have been examined to ascertain how this was done. It has been shown that the wires were not "tapped" by any person as was supposed, that operation being difficult of accomplishment; but the most plausible explanation consists in these facts, viz: The message was not in cipher; it was sent from the branch office in Fifteenth-street instead of from the main office; it was duplicated by the Franklin and by the Western Union lines; by one of these lines, if not by both, it was sent on what is technically known as the duplex wire; consequently every operator on its circuit, whether at the hotels, the Stock Exchange, or the Gold Room, read the message, and under the circumstances, it was simply impossible that they should not have communicated the information instantly. When every ear was stretched to hear it, and every heart beating with excitement and alternate hope and fear that the Government would or would not act, Mr. C. A. TEBBETS, Superintendent of the Washington office of the Western Union Telegraph, was examined to-day, and two operators from New-York are expected to-morrow. J. D. VERMILYE, Esq., President of the Merchants' National Bank of New-York, and Hon. H. R. HULBURT, Comptroller of the Currency, were also examined to-day. The latter testified regarding the examination of national banks and the manner in which statements are called for under existing laws.

THE KEY WEST CANARD.

The canard from Key West about the riot and bloodshed in Havana on Sunday last is one of the most malicious pieces of mischief which the Cuban Junta has yet concocted. It so happens that the fact was known in this city on Tuesday last that ALDAMA, of the Junta, had prepared such a canard to be sent to the agent of the Junta at Key West, and by him telegraphed back to New-York to fire the American people and inflame Congress. As first prepared this canard had an additional feature which does not appear in print. It was proposed to announce, in addition to the carnage going on, that the whole district in Havana known as "Jesus del Monte" was being burned and sacked. Dispatches received here direct from Havana to Feb. 1 report everything quiet.

OBSTRUCTIONS IN NEW-YORK HARBOR.

The subject of the obstructions alleged to be made by the Jersey Central Railroad in the harbor of New-York, was considered in the Commerce Committee of the Senate to-day, when ex-Senator FRELINGHUYSEN appeared before the Committee and made a long argument on the matter. The improvements which the Railroad Company claim they are making at the depot in filling in land, are said to interfere materially with navigation and the bed of the river; hence the consideration of the subject in Congress. The Committee arrived at no definite conclusion to-day, and will take the matter up again at a future meeting.

SENATORS CARPENTER AND SUMNER.

The egotism for which the Senate is so remarkable was strikingly exhibited to-day in the scene which occurred between Mr. CARPENTER and Mr. SUMNER, which consumed upwards of an hour and a half of time, and impeded all other business. It will be remembered that before the holidays Mr. CARPENTER made a speech which was jocosely said to have been written on the backs of Cuban bonds, so decidedly was it in favor of that country, in the course of which he trespassed on Mr. SUMNER's foreign postures, which intrusion was promptly repelled by the Massachusetts Senator. Mr. CARPENTER, who was worsted in the debate at that time, has, it appears, been thinking of the whole subject ever since, and to-day he renewed the controversy, supposing that everyone else was as much interested in the forgotten speech as himself. He attacked Mr. SUMNER very bitterly, to which Mr. SUMNER of course replied. It was all in reference to the celebrated Neutrality act of 1818, and the different interpretations put on it and applications of it by the contestant Senators. The galleries were amused, and honorable gentlemen on the floor paid their disputant colleagues the attention that is usually bestowed on personal altercations, which appears to be far greater than is ever devoted to questions in which the public have an abiding interest.

SPAIN AND PERU.

The Plenipotentiary from Peru empowered to sign the formal armistice between Spain and Peru, which is the result of the renewed mediation of the United States Government, arrived here to-day, and was presented at the State Department by Colonel PREVER, the Peruvian Minister. He will await the arrival of similarly empowered agents from Bolivia and Ecuador, when the armistice will be signed. This puts a formal end to the long existing state of "dormant war," as Mr. SEWARD aptly termed it.

TRANSPORTATION OF FOREIGN MERCHANDISE.

The bill providing that foreign merchandise arriving at the port of New-York which is intended for Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Baltimore, and other Eastern and Western cities, may be transported to its destination without breaking bulk on filing a bond and subject to certain Treasury regulations, was again considered in the House Committee of Commerce to-day. Representative SEVERANCE, of Ohio, made a statement to the Committee, giving his reasons why the Western cities, and particularly his own section, Cincinnati, should be allowed this privilege. Those who advocate the passage of the bill allege that, owing to the carelessness of New-York Government officers, goods are injured in repacking; and that, besides, the delay is often so great as to render goods almost perfectly worthless when they reach their destination in the West. This is said to be more particularly the case with silks and fancy articles, in regard to which fashion changes so often and so capriciously. The opponents of the bill urge the objection that the passage of such a measure would open a wide door to fraud, which it would be very difficult to guard against; and that, in addition, it would require the services of an additional force of officers, thereby entailing considerable expense on the Government.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

COURTESY TO CAPTAIN COMMERELL.

The Secretary of the Navy has sent the following letter to Captain JOHN E. COMMERELL, C. B., commanding H. B. M. ship *Monarch*:

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Feb. 2, 1870.

SIR: I beg leave to congratulate you on your arrival in our waters, and on the handsome manner in which you have conducted your share of the obsequies of the late Mr. PEABODY. I regret that your rapid voyage and your arrival five days before the Department expected you, prevented the presence of a larger number of our vessels to join with you in the ceremonies at Portland. As your vessel may necessarily require certain repairs, I beg leave to invite you to each of our ports as you may desire, and where you can have access to one of our Navy Yards, New-York or Boston can perhaps offer you the greatest facilities, and I shall be very happy to direct that you be supplied with anything necessary to prosecute your voyage homewards or wherever your destination may be. It would gratify our Senators and Representatives and the members of the Cabinet to visit your noble ship, and if you could afford the time I shall be very glad to have your ship visit Annapolis, which is only two hours' journey by rail from Washington.

In the event of your coming, I hope to have the pleasure of seeing you at the Capital.

I have the honor, to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

GEORGE M. ROBESON,
Secretary of the Navy.

CUSTOMS RECEIPTS.

The following are the Customs receipts for the week ending Jan. 29:

Boston	$[illegible]
New-York	[illegible]
Philadelphia	[illegible]
Baltimore	[illegible]
San Francisco, week ending 12th	[illegible]
New-Orleans, week ending 22d	[illegible]
Total	[illegible]

PERSONAL.

Brevet Major-General A. H. TERRY has been directed to proceed to this city on public business, upon the completion of which he will return to his proper station.

FRASER, TRENHOLM & CO. AGAIN.

Three years ago the Government made an agreement with FRASER, TRENHOLM & Co., in settlements for the efforts they had on hand as agents of the late Confederate States, and which were claimed by the United States as public property. This agreement, if consummated by the agents, would have placed in the Treasury half a million dollars in gold. An agent of these parties is now in this City to induce the Government to compromise the matter by taking their promissory notes for $[illegible] in currency, and discharging all legal proceedings against them, both here and in England. FRASER, TRENHOLM & Co. have, it is said, several million dollars worth of landed estate in South Carolina, all of which is under injunction, by order of the Court, to satisfy the claim of the Government.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate to-day confirmed the following nominations of Postmasters: Edmund Anthony, New-Bedford, Mass.; N. E. Levitt, Exeter, N. H.; Dara Farrington, Newburg, N. Y.; T. C. Chittenden, Adams, N. Y.; M. P. Barber, Pleasantville, Penn.; Geo. W. Frost, Lewisburg, Penn.; Jonathan Emerson, Smyrna, Del.; M. W. Page, Fort Dodge, Iowa; Henry Carpenter, Hamilton, Iowa; T. E. Tenneman, Honesdale, Penn. Also, Wm. S. Wood, United States Attorney for the District of Nevada; Dexter Wilder, Assessor of Internal Revenue for the Twentieth District of New-York; Geo. H. Gordon, Collector Internal Revenue for the Seventh Massachusetts; Edw. S. J. Healey, Collector of Customs at Bath, Me.; Cornelius B. Marchant, Collector of Customs at Edgartown, Mass.; John A. P. Allen, Collector of Customs at New-Bedford, Mass.; Anson Congdon, Collector of Internal Revenue for the Twenty-seventh District of New-York; Samuel M. Clark, Surveyor of Customs at Keokuk, Iowa; Calvin G. Child, Attorney for Connecticut; Samuel H. M. Byers, Consul at Zurich; Mark Breer, Chaplain in the Navy; Hampden Aulick, Assistant Surgeon in the Navy; Lieutenant Samuel P. Wilson, to be Lieutenant-Commander; First Lieutenant H. B. Loury, to be Captain in the Marine Corps; Second Lieutenant Richard R. Neil, to be First Lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

INSPECTION OF STEAMBOATS.

The eighteenth annual Convention of the Supervising Inspectors of Steamboats of the United States, which has been in session in this city during the past week, adjourned last night, after a revision of the existing steamboat laws and preparing the draft of a bill designed to serve as a codification of all the provisions which they deem best calculated to insure safety to life and property on board of vessels propelled by steam. This proposed bill has been submitted to the Secretary of the Treasury for his consideration, and it is believed that he will recommend its enactment by Congress. The subject has been examined, and the above notice taken by the Supervising Inspectors was at the request of the Secretary of the Treasury, as the provisions of the old law of 1852, and the amendments thereto, are believed to be inadequate to the requirements of the present.

TAXATION OF PACIFIC RAILROAD BONDS.

An interesting case will soon come before the United States Supreme Court—JOHN EDGAR THOMPSON and others against the Kansas Pacific Railroad. It involves the right of the State of Kansas to tax Pacific Railroad bonds. Judge ASHER is counsel for the road.

ALBANY.

Elections at a Police Commissioner for New-York—More Confirmations—The Common Payment Brooklyn Inspectors at Elections—Another East River Bridge Project—The Annual Reports of the Excise Commissioners.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 3, 1870.

The Senate to-day passed a resolution to go into joint session on the 16th inst. for a Regent of the University, to take the place of Mr. LUCKEY, deceased, and also for a Police Commissioner for New-York, in place of Judge BOSWORTH, whose term expires. Several bills of local importance only were read a third time and passed.

MORE CONFIRMATIONS.

The Senate got into Executive Session again to-day, on motion of Mr. TWEED, and in accordance with the agreement in Democratic caucus last evening, confirmed what remained of the Governor's nominees with the exception of ISAAC MCCONNIHE, Jr., of Troy, as one of the Capital Police Commissioners. He was rejected, and the Governor will have to try again. No additional nominations except Notaries Public were sent in, the Governor having positively refused to send in any names for Harbor Masters and Port Wardens until his previous nominees had been confirmed. Whether he will still adhere to his determination on the single name of MCCONNIHE, remains to be seen; but he is reported to have said this morning that he would not send in the name of a single Harbor Master or Port Warden this Winter unless all his past nominations were confirmed.

THAT FIFTH-AVENUE PAVEMENT.

Mr. WHITE has introduced a resolution calling upon Comptroller CONNOLLY to report to the Legislature the amount of money thus far paid out of the City Treasury for the Fiske concrete pavement, together with the streets, avenues and squares in which the same has been or is contracted to be laid down, to whom the money has been paid, and on account of what contract; also, what contracts for said pavement are now outstanding and unfulfilled, and the amount which will be required to complete the same. As the Grand Jury has just indicted the pavement as a nuisance, the inquiry would seem to be timely and pertinent, but the Speaker directed a reference of the resolution to the Committee on Cities, where all efforts to ventilate the corrupt jobs of New-York officials are conveniently smothered.

BROOKLYN INSPECTORS OF ELECTION.

The bill of Mr. JACOBS to make the inspectors and canvassers of election in Brooklyn elective, instead of receiving their appointment from the Board of Supervisors, was ordered to a third reading to-day. This will give the Republicans a representation of at least one inspector and canvasser in most of the districts in Brooklyn, and will therefore be an improvement on the present law, which enabled the Supervisors last Fall to appoint all Democrats.

ANOTHER EAST RIVER BRIDGE COMPANY.

Senator GREET's bill to authorize the City of New-York and County of Queens to subscribe forty-five per cent. each of $500,000 whenever the same amount shall have been subscribed by private parties, and ten per cent. thereof paid in, towards the building of a bridge across the East River, between the New-York shore opposite Blackwell's Island and Ravenswood, Queens County, came up in Committee of the Whole in the Assembly to-day, and gave rise to a lengthy discussion. Mr. FIELDS advocated the bill, and Messrs. WHITE, PEARSALL and IRVING opposed it. Mr. PEARSALL, as the representative from Queens, pronounced the bill a stupendous job in the interest of speculators, and said its passage was not desired by the residents of Queens County. Mr. GREET came down from the Upper House to look after the bill, but the Committee went no further than to "report progress." A similar bill passed the Legislature last Winter, but failed to receive the Governor's signature because it gave the Supervisors of New-York and Queens unlimited power in the amount of subscriptions to the bridge. The present bill is designed to avoid that objection.

THE EXCISE LAW—INFORMATION WITHHELD.

In connection with the various bills pending before the Legislature for changing or ameliorating the Excise law in New-York, it would be interesting to members, and to the public generally, to examine the last annual report of the Excise Commissioners, and see how the law works at present. This report, I am informed, was sent to the Governor more than three weeks ago, and copies are ready for distribution as soon as the Governor sees fit to perform his duty, and transmit the report to the Legislature. His reasons for withholding it are not known, but the report contains valuable information which ought to be in the possession of members before any action is taken on the pending bills. It gives a summary of the doings of the Excise Commissioners since the Commission was organized, three and a half years ago, together with the sums collected by them for licenses each year. The total amount collected during the three and a half years was $[illegible], and the report goes on to show that in the twenty-three years previous to the organization of the Commission the entire sum received for licenses only reached $[illegible]. It will thus be seen to be an important question for the taxpayers of New-York whether the receipts from licenses shall be reduced from $1,[illegible],000 to $[illegible] per annum, in order that the Democracy may increase the number and cheapen the price of its "nurseries," the gin mills.

The Condemnations by the Senate.

ALBANY, Feb. 3.—The Senate, in Executive Session, this morning, confirmed the following nominations: J. G. RICHARDS and WM. H. BAKER, of Madison, Loan Commissioners; JOHN B. PIERSON, of Rensselaer, Advisory Commissioner of the Capital Police; GEORGE W. MILLER, of Monroe, Superintendent of the Insurance Department; WILLIAM PURCELL, Manager of the Western House of Refuge; ROBERT H. STANELAND, Agent for the Onondaga Indians; HENRY F. ALLEN, Attorney for the Seneca nation of Indians; EDWIN ALLEN and JOHN DAVIS, Loan Commissioners, of Oswego. It is stated that DANIEL C. HOWELL, of Steuben, was to-day confirmed as Bank Superintendent, though his name is not on the official list given to the Press. The appointment of ISAAC MCCONNIHE as Commissioner of the Capital Police was, it is said, laid aside.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Thursday, Feb. 3.

REPORTS.

The following bills were reported:

By Mr. HUSBAND—For the removal of liens by judgments against persons relieved by the Bankrupt act.

By Mr. MURPHY—Amending the act requiring compensation for causing death by carelessness or neglect.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Mr. TWEED introduced a bill authorizing the City of New-York to grant land in that City for the founding of an Asylum of Sisters of Charity.

Mr. TWEED's bill empowers the officials of New-York City to convey to the Founding Asylum of the Sisters of Charity all that certain piece of land beginning at the southeast corner of Fourth-avenue and Sixty-ninth-street running thence easterly along Sixty-ninth-street to Lexington-avenue, along Lexington-Avenue to Sixty-eighth-street to Fourth-avenue.

The bill relative to public health in New-Utrecht was passed.

The Senate then went into Executive Session.

When the doors were reopened Mr. CERBANER offered a resolution that the Legislature shall, on the 10th of February, at 12 o'clock, proceed to elect a Commissioner of Metropolitan Police, in the place of JOSEPH BOSWORTH, whose term expires March 1, 1870. Tabled under the rule.

Mr. BAKER's resolution requesting our Congressmen to favor the erection of United States buildings in Albany was adopted.

Mr. MURPHY called up the resolution to elect a regent of the University on the 16th of February, in the place of SAMUEL LUCKEY, deceased.

Mr. CERBANER moved to amend by adding, To elect also a Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, in the place of Mr. BOSWORTH. Agreed to, and the resolution adopted.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

THE CANALS.

The Canal Board, in answer to a resolution of the House, reported that the cost of the completion of the Erie, Oswego and Champlain Canals, according to estimates, was as follows: Erie, $2,414,620; Champlain, $607,800; Oswego, $124,000; total, $3,146,420. The Board also reported that the work should be completed in three years.

PROTECTION TO LIFE AND LIMB.

Mr. FIELDS reported a bill to protect life and limb in mechanical and mining operations.

TRANSACTIONS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE.

In response to the resolution of the House, the Public Printer reported that the printing of the transactions of the American Institute for the year ending April, 1869, is delayed by the non-receipt of a part of the copy until Jan. 22, last.

GENERAL ORDERS.

The House, in Committee, resumed the consideration of the bill to provide for electing inspectors and canvassers of elections in Kings County. The bill was amended so as to apply to the City of Brooklyn alone, and ordered to a third reading.

The following were also disposed of as noted:

To enable members of the Bar of foreign countries, who have declared their intention to become citizens, to practice in the Supreme Court. Ordered to a third reading.

Incorporating the Carpenters' and Joiners' Union of New-York. Ordered to a third reading, and progress reported.

Amending the revised statutes. Progress reported.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. CHEASEBRO—Amending the Charter of the Young Men's Christian Association of New-York.

By Mr. WOODER—Amending the General Railroad Building law; also, amending the act to protect fruit-growers against frauds.

By Mr. MURPHY—Regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors.

BILLS PASSED.

Amending the Flatbush and New-Utrecht-avenue act.

Authorizing the Brooklyn Citizens Gaslight Company to lay pipes in New-Utrecht.

THE EAST RIVER BRIDGE.

The bill amending the Long Island and New-York Bridge Company charter came up in Committee.

Mr. PEARSALL, in behalf of Queens County, protested against this bill as a monstrous job.

Mr. FIELDS said a bill with a similar object passed last year, but the Governor objected because it gave the Supervisors of Queens and New-York Counties unlimited power to subscribe to stock. This bill limits the amount to be subscribed, and leaves it discretionary with Supervisors to subscribe or not. He regarded the bill as entirely proper. He also regarded the locality selected for this bridge as the most feasible one yet selected, the islands in the East River affording excellent foundations for abutments.

Mr. FREAN moved an amendment giving further discretionary power to Supervisors and the Common Council, which was adopted, and then progress was reported on the bill. Adjourned.

The Charity Ball.

The Academy of Music was filled last evening with one of the most fashionable and brilliant assemblages ever congregated within that building, the occasion being the annual ball in aid of the Children's and Nursery Hospital, better known as the Charity Ball. To say that the ball was a thorough success in every particular both in the style of the attendance and the attractive display of dresses, is to mention a fact which was generally conceded by every one present. In a pecuniary sense it was a complete triumph, as will be best realized by the several hundred inmates of the excellent and deserving institution for whose benefit it was given. The festivities were made especially notable to the numerous ladies and gentlemen of wealth who took part in them by being graced with the presence of a portion of royalty, Prince ARTHUR, who came attended by the British Minister, Mr. THORNTON, and Mrs. THORNTON, together with the members of his suite. The distinguished party arrived shortly after 11 o'clock, and were met at the door by the gentlemen composing the Floor Committee, who escorted the visitors to a proscenium box on the right, the same occupied by the Prince at the Firemen's Ball. Here the Prince became the centre of attention, lorgnettes being leveled at him from all parts of the Academy. He sat with Mrs. THORNTON on his right and her niece on his left. The gentlemen who accompanied him remained standing. His entrance was greeted by an animated clapping of hands on the part of the house. He was welcoming his arrival by playing "God save the Queen," followed by "Hail Columbia." Later in the evening he left his box and proceeded to the floor, where he made an attempt to dance in the midst of the excitement and bewildering blaze of laces and silks, satins and broadcloths which surrounded him. He departed from the Academy shortly afterwards. Among the host of people who were in attendance were the following:

Messrs. A. T. Stewart, August Belmont, Clarence A. Seward, Edwards Pierrepont, John A. Dix, Lawrence Kearney, J. P. Morgan, Moses H. Grinnell, E. L. Cutting, Jr., T. W. Stoughton, Henry A. Smythe, A. M. Barney, W. R. Duncan, Royal Phelps, Augustus Schell, Manton Marble, George Wilkes, La Grand B. Cooper, Henry Clews, George W. McLean, W. L. Blodgett, J. M. Barlow, Daniel F. Appleton, G. Godfrey Gunther, J. H. Chittenden, C. K. Garrison, John A. Griswold, Francis Skiddy, Parker Stevens, Frederick DePeyster, Marshall O. Roberts, Frank E. Howe and others. The military and naval professions were represented by General McDowell and members of his staff, Admiral Gedney, General Viele, General Alfred Pleasonton, General W. W. Averell, General Barlow, Colonel Wagner, Commodore Pennock, Colonel Reed, Jr. Several members of the Diplomatic Corps were also among the guests. The following gentlemen had general charge of the ball:

President—Arthur Leary. Vice Presidents—Clarence Seward, Commodore Pennock, Lloyd Aspinwall, Edward Delafield, Jr., John Pyne, C. F. Blake, C. Griswold Gray, G. G. Howland, Colonel Wagner, Dr. Wesley Johnson, Dr. Dorsey, J. Gordon Day. Treasurer, Henry Clews. Secretary—Cornelius Du Bois, Jr.

TELEGRAMS.

The Archbishop of York on the Athanasian Creed.

Archbishop Manning and the Succession to the Papacy.

The Actual Capacity of the Suez Canal Demonstrated.

Governor Warmouth on Corrupt Legislation in Louisiana.

Fatal Railroad Accidents on New-England Roads.

EUROPE.

The Fenian Prisoners—The Athanasian Creed in England—The Succession to the Papacy—Escape of a Carlist Prisoner—The Suez Canal.

LONDON, Feb. 3.—Mr. CALLAN, member of Parliament for Dundalk, announces his intention of demanding a Parliamentary investigation into the condition of the imprisoned Fenians....Mr. LEFROY has resigned his seat in Parliament for Dublin University.....The Archbishop of York has returned encouraging answers to clerical petitions for the disuse of the Athanasian Creed....The amount of specie in the Bank of England has increased £226,000 sterling since last Thursday....A dispatch has been received here from Bombay announcing that the *Great Eastern* was signaled off the Malabar coast on the 29th of January.....In consequence of the frequent rumors of ill-health of PIUS IX., the public mind is busy with the names of candidates for the Papacy. The election of Archbishop MANNING is strongly advocated in England.

PARIS, Feb. 3.—VICTOR HUGO's drama "Lucrezia Borgia," was produced at the Porte St. Martin last night. The audience were noisy and disorderly. PAUL DE CASSAGNAC, the journalist, was hissed and otherwise insulted....The amount of specie on hand to-day at the Bank of France is 10,100,000 francs more than last Thursday.

MADRID, Feb. 3.—The notorious Carlist leader, Marquis HORMOSA, who was recently sentenced to perpetual banishment for participation in the late Carlist insurrection, has escaped. He was on his way to the port of Cadiz, in the custody of the sergeant of the Civil Guard, and the supposition is the escape was the result of collusion, as the sergeant himself has not since been heard from.

ALEXANDRIA, Feb. 3.—It has been fairly demonstrated that vessels drawing no more than seventeen and a half feet of water are able to pass through the Suez Canal with safety.

CUBA.

Two Men Killed in Havana—The Cautinen Affair—Feeling Among the Spaniards.

HAVANA, Feb. 3.—Two men were killed in this city last night....Subscriptions are coming in freely for the orphans of CASTAÑON. The Spaniards manifest great indignation at the killing of CASTAÑON. From all parts of the island come reports of public demonstrations of bitterness against the Cubans. The Captain-General sent a dispatch to Matanzas, in which he warns the Volunteers that they will give a poor idea of the Government which employs them by committing acts of retaliation, and advises them to confine themselves to their duty—the maintenance of public order—in the performance of which they are the firmest staff of the authorities.

RAILROAD ACCIDENTS.

Division of a Freight Train on an Up Grade—Collision with a Train in the Rear—Three Persons Killed and Two Injured.

HUDSON, Feb. 3.—A terrible accident occurred this morning on the Boston and Albany Railroad, half a mile west of Chatham Village. A large freight train going east broke the couplings near the centre of the train, and eleven cars ran back down a heavy grade, coming in collision with another freight train, piling the cars all upon each other in a mass of ruins with the engine, and instantly killing MILES PHILLIPS, conductor; CHARLES SPRAGUE, brakeman, and HENRY BIRLEY, fireman. JOHN LOFTY, brakeman, was seriously injured, and WILLIAM BOOTH, engineer, slightly. The cars were heavily laden with valuable produce, which is reported to be nearly ruined. Coroner ALLEN will hold an inquest on the bodies to-day.

MONTPELIER, Vt., Feb. 3.—A freight train was thrown from the track to-day, between Burlington and Essex. PATRICK COLLINS, the conductor, was killed, and MICHAEL CLANCY, ANDREW JOHNSON and MICHAEL RYAN, employes on the train, seriously injured.

LOUISIANA.

Corrupt Legislation—Governor Warmouth's Reply to the Committee of Citizens of New-Orleans—Sweeping Charges of Corrupt Influences.

NEW-ORLEANS, Feb. 3.—A Committee appointed by a meeting in Lafayette-square, on Monday night, waited on Governor WARMOUTH yesterday afternoon and presented their resolution. Governor WARMOUTH in reply said:

He was glad, personally, to see them. He desired, however, to say something relative to that meeting, in justice to himself and the Government he represented, and stated that he had witnessed a great many bills making subsidy grants to individuals and companies, which, in a few instances, had been passed over his veto; that there were many persons in the Legislature ignorant of the manipulations of the lobbymen, who had been recently enfranchised, that would have to be instructed. He said: "I think, gentlemen, that if you will give me the support and assistance which you ought to give, from your standing in the community, we shall be able to restrain the people from running into the excesses complained of in the resolution. Let me make one complaint against you, gentlemen, as the representatives of those in whose behalf you appear. You charge the Legislature with passing corruptly many bills looking to the personal aggrandisement of individuals and corporations. Let me suggest to you that these individuals and corporations are your very best people. For instance, this Bank bill that is being lobbied through the Legislature now, by the hardest kind of work. We have been able to defeat the bill twice in the House, and now it is up again. Who are doing it? Your bank Presidents. The best people of the City of New-Orleans are crowding the lobby of the Legislature continually, whispering bribes into these men's ears to pass this measure. How are we to defend the people against the aggressions of these people who are poisons in their influence in this community?" The Governor went on at length, making disclosures as to how various measures were engineered through the Legislature by these same good citizens, to sign one of which he had been offered $50,000 by one party. And in addition Mayor COMSTOCK, of this city, had offered him any consideration to sign it. The bill was vetoed. The bill here referred to was the Five Million Dollar Gold Bond bill for redeeming the city money. He was also offered fifty thousand dollars to sign the Nicolson Pavement bill, which he vetoed. The Governor complained of the refusal of the leading men of the State to counsel with him, although he had invited them, and said, "I make this complaint to you as an individual; I make it as a citizen of Louisiana. I come here to settle among you, although by accident I have been elevated to a position I now occupy, and if you and the 3,000 citizens who were present at the meeting which sent you here, would only give their support to me and to honest members of the Legislature, there will be no difficulty in restraining improvident legislation. I think I have a right to ask it, and if you will give it I assure you that many of the evils complained of will be avoided." In the course of his remarks the Governor stated that Auditor WICKLIFFE had robbed the State of $600,000. He said, in conclusion, that it was his purpose to administer the affairs of the Government of the State to the best of his ability for the interest and welfare of the people, and he invited the assistance and cooperation of all good citizens.

THE EAST.

The Labor Reformers in the Massachusetts Legislature—Prince Arthur—Shipbuilding Materials.

BOSTON, Feb. 3.—The labor reform members of the Massachusetts Legislature have united in a resolution to confine themselves in the Legislature solely to matters pertaining to labor reform and not to become involved as a party in the question of woman suffrage or other doubtful measures....Apartments have been engaged by Sir EDWARD THORNTON at the St. James Hotel for Prince ARTHUR and suite....A petition to Congress to allow a drawback on all imported material used in shipbuilding is receiving signatures in Boston.

The funeral of the late Major GEORGE BURROUGHS, of the United States Corps of Engineers, took place to-day in Trinity Church....The ironclads *Miantonomoh* and *Terror* have been ordered to return to Boston from Portland; the *Plymouth* ordered to proceed to Portsmouth, where she will be overhauled and repaired; her officers and crew will be transferred; the *Benicia* has been ordered to Portsmouth to coal, and will then proceed on her voyage to China.

PROVIDENCE, Feb. 3.—HENRY E. HARMON, a seaman on the schooner *Enterpe*, fell from aloft yesterday, while the vessel was going down the bay, and was killed.

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 3.—The officers of the United States steamer *Plymouth* are giving a dinner this evening to the officers of the *Monarch* at the Falmouth House....Captain COMMERELL has telegraphed to England for permission to take the *Monarch* to New-York and Boston.

HARTFORD, Conn., Feb. 3.—The iron spoon shop of CHAS. PARKER, in East Meriden, was entirely destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is estimated at $20,000, on which there is a small insurance.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Affairs in Missouri—Constitutional Amendments—Sex and Color in Agricultural Colleges—Kansas and the "Sixteenth Amendment"—Other States.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.—At a Radical caucus at Jefferson City, last night, the question of submitting to the people an amendment to the Constitution enfranchising all those now deprived of suffrage, without respect to race or color, was discussed and carried by a nearly two-thirds vote....In the State Senate, yesterday, the Committee on Constitutional Amendments reported amendments repealing the double liberty clause in the Constitution, abolishing District Courts, and repealing all disfranchising provisions. The Constitutional bill was made the special order for Wednesday next....Day before yesterday the House adopted an amendment to the Agricultural College bill, providing there should be no restrictions on students entering college on account of sex or color. Yesterday, after a long discussion, the vote was reconsidered....In the Kansas Senate yesterday the memorial asking Congress to submit a Sixteenth Amendment (granting female suffrage) to the various States, was tabled by the casting vote of the Lieutenant-Governor.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 3.—In the Senate to-day the Newark Police bill, which provides for the establishment of a Board of Police Commissioners, came up on its second reading. A number of amendments were proposed and rejected. The section empowering the Commissioners to appoint and remove Police Justices was stricken out, and the bill ordered to a third reading. The joint resolution on the rejection of the Fifteenth Amendment came up on its second reading, and was made the order of the day for Monday next. In the House a motion was made to reconsider the vote whereby Bedminster Township, Somerset County, was exempted from subscription to the Peapack and Passaic Valley Railroad. The motion was lost, after considerable debate.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 3.—An order passed the Senate to-day amending the Pauper laws so as to disfranchise paupers.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 3.—In the Legislature to-day, the House appointed a committee to inquire into the charges against Judge LEHEMONT, of the Fifth District Court, of illegal decisions and incompetency, with a view to his impeachment.

THE INDIANS.

Apprehensions of Further Outrages in the Indian Territory—The Sioux in Wyoming.

CHICAGO, Feb. 3.—A letter received at General SHERIDAN's headquarters in this city to-day, from Camp Supply, Indian Territory, dated Jan. 22, says that Bull Bear, a prominent chief of the Cheyennes, came to that post with important news from the several hostile tribes thereabouts. He states that the Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches, who are very numerous and formidable, are making active preparations for war upon the whites, and had urged the Cheyennes to join them. No little apprehension was excited among the white settlers of the Territory who heard the news, and it is to be feared that serious trouble with the Indians is in store for them at any day.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Governor CAMPBELL, of Wyoming Territory, was before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs to-day, endeavoring to procure a modification of the treaty with the Sioux Indians, so that they may be removed from the unceded lands they now occupy, embracing about one-fourth of the Territory.

Death of an Ex-Governor of Ohio—Revenue Inspections.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 3.—Ex-Governor ALLEN TRIMBLE died at his residence at Hillsboro, Ohio, this morning. He was in his 67th year, and has resided in Hillsboro since 1806....Revenue Officer BROOKS, of Philadelphia, together with Supervisors DWYER and CLARK,

ENGLAND.

American Credit Abroad—Popular Education—Work of the Education League—Church of England Schools—Statistics of Crime—Gossip of the Journalists at Home.

From Our Own Correspondent.

LONDON, Saturday, Jan. 15, 1870.

American credit has not been so high in England for many years as now. The large amounts of bonds recently purchased are not on speculation, but for permanent investments, and the entire debt could be placed here, and its entire interest paid here, if it were for the interest of America to become tributary to that extent to English capitalists. But for the Erie difficulties, it would be the same with railways. It is aggravating, no doubt, to be contributing some millions every year to the income of the British aristocracy; but there is another side of the question. Every such investment—every such relation of borrower and lender is a bond of peace. An Englishman who has a hundred thousand pounds in the three per cents of his own Government is interested to that amount in its prosperity. If he buys the same quantity of United States stock, his interest in the American Government becomes twice as great. Borrow a man's money, get into his debt, and the interest he takes in you is surprising. Nothing but bankruptcy or repudiation can alienate his affection.

POPULAR EDUCATION.

The Education League, of whose organization a few weeks ago I sent you a full account, has now a list of 1,820 subscribers—17 of £1,000 each; 12 of £500 each; 30 from £400 to £100; 36 of £100 each. The fund amounts to over £60,000. There are sixty-three branches organized; seventy-two in progress of organization. It has already circulated documents to the extent of 120,000 copies, so say nothing of newspaper reports and articles, and hold innumerable meetings, lectures, &c. The English have a regular machinery for such agitations, and in this case they are working it with great vigor. Some of the Secularists refuse to go with the League because it does not go far enough to suit them. But as a rule the Secularists, Rationalists, Methodists and other dissenters work well together for unsectarian compulsory education. The chief reason why the Presbyterians and Methodists join the League is, that the Established Church and Roman Catholics unite against it. They want the Church disestablished and Popery destroyed. The Church of England has the control of three-fourths of the schools, and the Roman Catholics will in sum case have their own. Then the League has conciliated them by allowing the reading of the Bible in schools to be settled by the local authorities. The bill to be introduced in Parliament is now in the hands of the professional draftsmen, or architects of laws, and is said to have the support of fifty members of Parliament, 500 ministers of religion, and 8,000 or 9,000 members of the League.

CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOLS.

The Church of England schools for the common people are not of a character to impress one very strongly with the benefits of the religious education they give. Poor little children are trained to answer questions in Old Testament scripture history, and learn stories of the Jewish Kings which they cannot remember long, and which would do them no good if they did. Rev. Mr. Beer, of Leeds, in a League lecture a few nights ago, gave specimens of the Bible biographies written by scholars of the national schools. They would do credit to the writers of the sermon readers which I have seen copied from some American papers. Here is one about the Prophet Daniel;

"Daniel was put into the lions den and the lions eat him up and then his father told him to go home and read his Bible and he went to mind them on the field and while he was reading the sheep a lion and a bear came out to kill the sheep and the sheep ran away and he turned back and saw the lion and the bear and ran of a running and catch them both and then he came back to the sheep and prayed to God to forgive his sins."

Nearly as graphic is the following account of the Prophet Elisha:

"Elisher was born in canaen and was brought from canaen to egypt and he became a king of egypt and he went with his soulgers to wonkor another country and they came home betes and he had a good time. He performed several miracles. He went to speak to Daniel when he was in the lions den and elisher said to him Daniel how canest thou hear and he said the king put me hear and elisher was a good man and he had a good many scolgers."

But it is said that Leagues cannot always accomplish their objects. There is, for example, the Church Association, established to put down Ritualism and Rationalism, with its 200 branches, 20,000 members, and fund of $50,000. This association is not likely to carry out its own objects, but it will go almost as a body against the Education League. Still, something must be done. If education were universal, would our newspapers contain such a paragraph as the following:

"A non-unionist, employed at the Thorncliffe Collieries, near Sheffield, was maltreated a few days ago in a most brutal manner by nearly a dozen of the unionists who are on strike. After beating him unmercifully, the cowardly ruffians threw the poor fellow into a pond, where he would have been drowned had not his cries attracted a man who was passing by, and by whom he was rescued. An invasion by the Police of the cottage of Mr. Joseph Wilkinson, the father of the assailants, was a signal for a general rising of the inhabitants, and the officers were compelled to beat a retreat under a volley of stones."

NEWGATE STATISTICS.

The Chaplain of Newgate has just made his annual report, but he does not say much of ignorance as a cause of the crime which comes under his pastoral care. He finds that rather more than half the murders, and attempts to murder, are caused by drunkenness. The literature of crime—the romances based on the Newgate Calendar—with which he should be well acquainted, are the causes of a great many thefts and robberies. One murderer confessed that though he could not read, the idea of murder was put in his head by a picture he saw in an illustrated Police gazette. A great many crimes against property, frauds, forgeries, swindles by which thousands suffer, bankruptcies, &c., are committed by well-educated persons. A few days ago a clerk and cashier, aged 28, of superior education, pleaded guilty at the Staffordshire assizes of obtaining some $4,000 by false pretences.

"His counsel urged in mitigation of punishment that he was of hitherto blameless character, according to the prosecutor's evidence, that he had made an assignment of his property for the prosecutor's benefit, and otherwise done everything he could to make restitution, and that he took the money, not for the purpose of speculating, or indulging any vicious habit, but for the purpose of building a house for himself, and learning music, foreign languages, and mathematics. The learned counsel added that the prisoner had gained sixteen prizes from the Society of Arts, and that he did what he could to impart any knowledge which he acquired to his fellow-men."

In spite of all this he was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment.

GOSSIP FROM ROME.

We get our daily quota of four or five columns of gossip from Rome with great regularity, and the mischievousness of ignorance has not been often more happily exemplified. If the bald facts of the doings of the Council were known to the writers, it would be very difficult for them to write as they do. Now imagination has free play, and all the stories of a very gossiping place are sent forth on their mission. One tells us how, when the Pope was giving his blessing to the kneeling multitude in St. Peter's, two English infidels measured on the benches were having a good stare at him through their opera glasses, while in England no well-bred person gives leave at the Queen with an opera glass, even at the theatre. One gives an interesting account of an American lady admitted to a public audience with the Pope, who gave her his blessing, and blessed a pack or so of rosaries for her, but she was not satisfied, and asked him for his photograph. The Holy Father gave her one, but she still waited. "Is there anything else," he asked, "Yes, please write your name on it." Patiently the Sovereign Pontiff wrote his signature, still she hesitated. "What more?" he asked. "Only the pen with which you have written it." "Take it," said the servant of the servants of God, with trembling, a slight humorous dashing of impatience. "Take it, scissors and all!" which the lady did, much delighted.

For a week or more I told that everything at the Council was cut and dried, and that there was to be no freedom of debate. Now it is said that an Archbishop has been denouncing the jesuits in the presence of the sitting General of the Order, who told Cardinal ANTONELLI that he was glad of it; it served them right; [illegible] had always opposed the Civilta Cattolica, which had been overruled by a higher authority. We are told of long and excited sittings, of violent resolutions which were heard half down the nave of St. Peter's; of the eloquent speeches of two Irish American Bishops—but the correspondent tells us that nearly all, if not all, the American Bishops are Irish—which they are, with the exception of the native Americans, Germans, French, Belgians and Swiss—all, or he says, "above all others, personally interested in freedom, or at least toleration of opinion." This correspondent does not like the Oriental Bishops. It is impossible to look at them, he says, without a suspicion of hypocrisy, or at least charlatanism—but that is what a great many people think of Pope, Cardinals and the whole Council:

"Few of them are dignified, and some of them, carrying crowns of imperial splendor and magnitude, are not a bit better looking than the fellows you might see on the pavement of Coventry-street, or behind a Holborn-shop in Tottenham-street. They don't look like the channels for a Divine revelation. However, we can hardly guess what kind of a looking man Jacob was, or half the Patriarchs. These men, a bystander with a tonsure said, were some Greeks, some Hermenians, some Armenians, some Maronites, some Chaldeans, some Copts, besides others. They near the general effect, for they look an exception and a schism. They are also restless fellows generally, and seem to have trouble about their seats."

This, I ought to have said, is the wonderful correspondent of the Times, who is never at a loss, for if gossip and guessing fail, he can write about himself and the weather. A Roman wit, he tells us, has discovered the habits of the Western Bishops:

"The English are always taking out something to eat; the American Bishops are retiring to smoke; the French Bishops are passing about and talking; the Spanish Bishops are in little groups, talking their own politics; the Germans are silent, and doing nothing. The Italians, if we may conclude from the example of the wit himself, are making their observations."

INFALLIBILITY.

The *Pall Mall Gazette*—how very superbly handsome it is since New Year's!—puts the logic of the infallibility case rather neatly in a column or so. A large paper must string out. I think I can condense it into three lines: "All Roman Catholics, though they may doubt the infallibility of the Pope, believe in that of a General Council. If, therefore, a General Council declares, in its admitted infallibility, that the Pope is infallible, all Roman Catholics will be bound to believe it." Those who believe in the infallibility of the *ex papali* need not be troubled about any other. A Church, such as Catholics believe it, must be infallible, or it might lead people into all error. Instead of all truth; if infallible, there must be a centre of such infallibility. The head may as well be that as a majority of the members. Papal infallibility is, as the *Times* says, a logical necessity. Churches that pretend to no certainty of freedom from error have, of course, no such necessity, and they naturally do not like a Church that sets up such pretensions.

MONADNOCK.

CURRENT NOTES.

All flesh is grass even in the heyday of youth.

Match games of chess by telegraph come under the head of battery battles at long range.

It is proposed to fine Rhode Islanders who kill a partridge or a quail on their own farms during the next three years, $20 and costs.

The firm which made the Big Drum for the Boston Jubilee is now devoting what energy it has left to the manufacture of toothpicks.

The Pittsburg (Penn.) *Dispatch* has enlarged its borders, and is a better paper than ever.

The Richmond *Dispatch* pointedly says that a political quack cannot and shall not be the *czar* of the Virginians.

There being no snow, AMOS SLAYMAKER, of Lancaster, Penn., has procured for himself the appointment of Commissioner of the District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

The Louisville *Courier-Journal*, although a Democratic paper, recklessly says that such men as Mr. BERGH are too few, and that there should be one or more such in every community.

Some of the Connecticut papers are just discovering that the State makes too frequent changes in its Representatives in Congress. Many of the States do.

A recently married man in Wilmington, Del., ill treated his wife and received therefor a severe beating at the hands of his mother-in-law. He humbly promised not to do so any more.

The Legislature of Rhode Island has passed a bill providing that the election of Representatives in Congress shall hereafter occur in that State on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November.

Complaints of the dullness of business are almost always in order, but when a Connecticut man grumbles because of the dullness in the business of manufacturing coffin trimmings, he runs the thing into the ground.

A bill has been reported in the Maryland House of Delegates to appropriate the sum of $9,000 to purchase a lot of ground at Point Lookout, in which to inter the remains of the Confederate soldiers who died there while prisoners.

Ohio has now in its Capitol sixteen portraits in oil of its Governors, the latest acquisition being a portrait, nearly full length, of SALMON P. CHASE, presented by one of the natives, and the largest and among the best in the collection.

Ohio proposes to give $5,000 for a monument to General WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON, and Maryland $25,000 to furnish its Governor's mansion. Thus are to be satisfied the claims of a dead President and a living Governor.

A Michigan man, while walking a street in East Saginaw, was struck in the face by one of a small flock of flying pigeons, and both fell. The man had his cheek torn, one tooth knocked out and several others loosened. The pigeon was killed.

The recently-elected Mayor of Williamsport, Penn., has by advancements from his own pocket of over $50,000 so improved the depreciated credit of his city that orders on the Treasurer, which formerly were poor investments at sixty cents on the dollar, will to-day command at the Treasury and in the market their nominal par value in cash.

A Cincinnati woman, who had received from the Relief Union an unfashionable pair of shoes, was equal to the emergency. She promptly returned them with the remark that she had made a mistake, and wanted No. 4's, and the request: "Please give me a finer pair, and the tops high, for my daughter wears her dress short."

Prof. AGASSIZ is so unwell that he is not able to attend to his correspondence even. A recent letter from his wife says that he has been, and still is, seriously ill, having had several somewhat alarming attacks, a consequence, as his physician assures him, of nervous prostration and overwork, from which he may entirely recover by absolute rest. He is therefore forbidden to work for a long time, and will be obliged to give up all public lecturing.

In a Brooklyn street car, a night or two ago, an old negro who had received some information from a young man of the same color about the discovery of America, exclaimed: "Who's this CHRISTY COLUMBUS? I've been in this country forty years, and I never see him nor heard nothing of him afore!" and then, after a pause, he added: "Where'd you read about him? I don't believe you can read anything but an old almanac."

In a paper read before the Rhode Island Historical Society, it was stated that Judge BREWER, one of the brighter lights of New-England in the latter part of the Colonial period, petitioned the Assembly shortly after his marriage to be exempted from going to war against the Indians, under the plea that the Bible ordered that no man should leave his wife to go to battle within a year after marriage. The modest request was refused, and he attained some military renown.

Hon. JOSEPH SEGAR writes to Virginia that he expects to be admitted to a seat in Congress. Speaking of his claim, the Richmond *Whig* says: "Virginia, by the census of 1860 and the apportionment of representation under it, is entitled to nine members, with a fraction over of 19,000 votes. If the Convention committed an error in not making nine districts, it was a mere error of judgment, for it was not in any sense the deliberate action of the people expressing the will of the Commonwealth. And this error, and its consequences, should not be visited upon the voters and representation in Congress for a fault purely of form."

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Meteorological Observations—Taxation of Bonds and Mortgages—Enforcement of the Legal-Tender and National-Bank Acts.

At the monthly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce, yesterday, the resignation of A. GRACIE KING, as a trustee of the Savings Institution for Merchants' Clerks, was accepted, and HENRY K. BOGERT elected to fill his place.

BARTHOLD SCHLESINGER was elected a member of the Chamber, and GEORGE W. LANE, whose time had expired, was reelected a member of the Arbitration Committee. A report from the Executive Committee was received, setting forth that the Bank of New-York was desirous of reorganizing the institution under the State Banking law. The consent of the Chamber, which is a stockholder in the bank to the amount of eleven shares, was asked for the proposed change. The Committee recommended that consent be given, which was accordingly done.

Mr. GERMAIN OPDYKE presented the report of the delegation appointed to attend the National Board of Trade at Richmond, Va., and a copy of the proceedings of the Convention. He stated that he found the Board composed of able men, with a total lack of local prejudice, and all desiring only that which would favor the best interests of humanity. One thousand copies of the proceedings and report were ordered to be printed.

Mr. GEORGE W. DOW, from the special Committee appointed at the 1837 meeting in reference to the action of the Chamber in regard to the law introduced in Congress by Mr. FAIRIN, providing for taking meteorological observations, presented an extended report, closing with a resolution that the New-York Chamber of Commerce gives its hearty approval to the proposed law, and requests that the intended observations be not confined only to the inland lakes, as suggested in the bill before Congress, but that they take a wider range. It was resolved that the resolution be engrossed and transmitted to the Chairmen of both Houses of Congress.

Captain AMBROSE SNOW read a communication in regard to the operations of a certain New-Jersey railroad company in filling up the streets on Sandy Hook, without any authority, to the great injury of commerce. He moved that the Chamber pass a resolution which should be forwarded to the President, requesting that the National Government interfere to prevent further depredations.

Mr. Dodge stated that the reasons for the anxiety arose from the fact that removal of the forest would cause the washing away of the island, and thus obstruct navigation in the lower bay.

The matter was referred to a Committee, with power to forward to Congress such resolutions as may present to the Chair.

Mr. JOHN D. MCKENZIE addressed the Chamber in reference to the measure now before the State Legislature to exempt bonds and mortgages from taxation. He said that he was present at the request of a number of absent members, who were desirous that the Board should take some action in urging the passage of an act which should relieve this class of securities from taxation. A memorial had already been forwarded to Albany by an association of those interested in real estate, and he requested the Chamber to take action in the matter by referring it to the Executive Committee.

Mr. OPDYKE thought that any effort would be unavailing to effect a change in the present laws on the subject.

Mr. MCKENZIE remarked that he desired to place the legislators on the record as refusing a request of this nature, and that action was necessary in order to create a sound public sentiment.

Mr. GRIFFITH suggested a reference to a special Committee which should report at the next meeting.

This disposition was made of the subject and a Committee appointed, consisting of Messrs. MCKENZIE, OPDYKE and STRANAHAN.

Mr. W. B. GROOM presented the following, which was laid over for one month:

Whereas, It is expressly declared, in section 1 of the Legal-tender act, that "the notes issued by the Treasurer of the United States shall be receivable in payment of all loans made to the United States, and of all taxes, internal duties, excises, debts and demands of every kind due to the United States, except duties on imports, and interest thereon, and all debts and demands against the United States, except for interest upon bonds, notes and certificates of debt or deposit, and shall also be lawful money and a legal tender in payment of all debts, public and private, within the United States, except duties on imports and interest, as aforesaid;" and

Whereas, In section 23 of the National Bank act, it is specified that the circulating bank notes, duly issued, "shall be received at par in all parts of the United States, in payment of taxes, duties, public lands, and all other duties to the United States, except duties on imports, and also for all debts and all other debts and demands owing by the United States to individuals, corporations and associations within the United States, except interest on bonds, notes, and certificates of debt or deposit, and shall also be lawful money and a legal tender in payment of all debts, public and private, within the United States, except duties on imports and interest, as aforesaid;" and

Whereas, In section 22 of the National Bank act, it is specified that the circulating bank notes, duly issued, "shall be received at par in all parts of the United States, in payment of taxes, duties, public lands, and all other duties to the United States, except duties on imports, also for all debts and all other debts and demands owing by the United States to individuals, corporations and associations within the United States, except interest on bonds, notes, and certificates of debt or deposit, and shall also be lawful money and a legal tender in payment of all debts, public and private, within the United States, except duties on imports and interest, as aforesaid;" and

Whereas, A bill intended to impair the credit of the United States Government was passed by the House of Representatives March 12, and the Senate March 17, 1869, which bill sought to remove any doubt as to the purpose of the Government to discharge all just obligations to the public creditors, and to settle conflicting questions and interpretations of the laws relating to the obligations contracted by the United States; and

Whereas, These laws, to which reference has been made, remain upon the statute books; and

Whereas, The Government has been, for a period of more than seven years past, and still remains, unable to pay coin for its demand obligations; be it therefore

Resolved, That it is the duty of the Government to issue to the holders of the non-interest-bearing demand obligations, interest-bearing bonds in exchange therefor (whenever they shall request the same); and, be it further

Resolved, That this Chamber respectfully requests Congress to consider, at the earliest day, the propriety of enforcing the Legal-tender and National Bank acts, both in spirit and letter; and also to cooperate with him in perfecting a plan whereby an opportunity shall be offered to the holders of the United States notes to exchange them (at their option) in sums of one thousand dollars, and its multiple, into bonds bearing interest at the rate of 3-65-100 per cent, per annum, said bonds (including interest) to be made payable on demand in said legal-tender notes.

Letters were read from Mr. GEORGE SAUER, at Paris, transmitting a copy of his work on *Marine Telegraphing*; from Messrs. CONKLIN and CALKIN, at Washington, acknowledging receipts of various memorials from the Chamber, and from Mr. J. B. HOFFMAN, Deputy-Collector at the Port of San Diego, Cal., requesting the influence of the Chamber in having the steamers of the Pacific Mail Company deliver goods at that port direct from New-York, on their way to San Francisco. He alleges that one thousand miles in transportation will thus be saved, and that merchants at San Diego would purchase goods in New-York instead of at San Francisco. The letters were referred to the Executive Committee.

Captain CODMAN, who, it was stated, had had much experience in shipbuilding on the Tyne, was requested to address the Chamber at the next regular meeting on "Shipbuilding and the Shipping Interests." The Chamber then adjourned.

Examination at the College of the City of New-York.

The semi-annual examination of the students of the College of the City of New-York was continued yesterday. Mr. ALEXANDER S. WEBB presided. The examinations were principally in writing and comprehended the following subjects: Constitutional Law, Physics, Classics and the Modern Languages, Algebra and Geometry. This evening the Junior Class give an exhibition in public speaking at Steinway Hall.

The Illinois and Michigan Canal.

From the Springfield (Ill.) Register, Jan. 31.

The report of the Committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with especial reference to the Illinois and Michigan Canal, was under discussion in Committee of the Whole of the Constitutional Convention on Saturday. The Convention has shown a disposition to discuss this important question thoroughly, and to act upon it with deliberation and caution. The drift of opinion in the Convention seems to be in favor of retaining the control of the canal in the hands of the State, under such restrictions as will prevent the Legislature from engaging in a general system of internal improvements.

The Loss of the Ram Atlanta.

From the Philadelphia Day, Feb. 2.

We are informed that a letter has been received by a former citizen of Chester, who left for New-York a few days ago, from one of the survivors of the wrecked ram Triumph, (formerly the *Atlanta*,) stating that the vessel struck a rock near the coast of Cuba, and sunk; but that the white persons, officers and others on board, escaped in boats. The negroes comprising the crew were believed to be mostly lost. We have not seen this letter, but are assured that such a one has been received.

The Triumph was formally transferred to General TAZE, representing President SALNAVE, off our Navy Yard, on the 6th of December last, by Mr. SIDNEY GARTHWAITE, who was on board of her when she was wrecked. She sailed from this port on the 10th inst., owing to some injury to her machinery, was detained some days at Chester. We hope the account to which we have referred is true, as to the white men on board, and that we shall yet hear a more favorable account as to the fate of the colored men.

THE REIGN OF ERROR.

HOW MURDERERS GO FREE.

A Black Record—Defects in the Law and in Those Who Administer It—What the Officials Say for Themselves—The Latest Tragedies.

The sentiment of this community is at last aroused to the alarming fact that, as a rule with us great criminals go free. While we hear of the execution of murderers in other parts of the country, the gallows appears to be an obsolete institution in New-York City. One would imagine from the rare occurrence of capital executions or severe punishments of any kind meted out by our tribunals of justice that we were a most strongly virtuous community, but the fact is our "Newgate calendar" or our "gallows roll" is no criterion by which to judge of the prevalence of crime. Wherever the fault may be it cannot be denied that crime has become fearfully common and its punishment exceedingly rare. In order to show that the fact of our having no executions during the past year is not owing to our superior virtue, we have prepared the following "black list" of the homicides of 1869.

From a careful examination of the records it appears that during the year 1869 there were forty-one homicides of various degrees. We present the following brief record of these cases with the ultimate result, if any was attained:

CHARLES M. BOSMAN was stabbed in front of his residence, in Twelfth-street, near Broadway, by an unknown man. Several men were subsequently arrested, though none were held, for want of definite evidence. Suspicion was strongly directed against LOGAN (No. 2), who was himself murdered just a year after the Bogers murder.

JAMES BRADLEY (Jan. 3) stabbed by WM. MCCUTCHEON, in December. The prisoner pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree, Feb. 16, and sent to State Prison for life.

WM. T. HAINES killed by THOS. MULLINS, Jan. 6. Unknown; not found.

MARGARET MCLAUGHLIN, killed (Feb. 12) by CATHARINE SHAY, a lunatic in Blackwell's Island Asylum.

THOMAS DURIS, stabbed by MICHAEL MAGUIRE, Feb. 6. No arrest.

PETER MCDONALD, skull fractured with blacksmith's tongs (Jan. 25) by JAMES MCDONALD. Prisoner escaped from Court officer in the street pending trial.

ELIZA CALLAHAN, beaten by JOHN HERBERT, (March 7,) in Sixty-sixth-street. Prisoner convicted of manslaughter in fourth degree, July 5. Penitentiary one year.

THOMAS NESBOT, stabbed by STEPHEN JONES, on shipboard, March 17. Discharged by Grand Jury April 28.

ALEXANDER LITTMANN, injured 9th or April, by unknown persons.

PATRICK MCCOSKERE, stabbed (April 22,) over a game of cards by WM. NICHOLSON. Convicted of manslaughter third degree. Present two years.

THOMAS HUGHES, shot by REAL, (April 24,) in New-Chambers-street. Acquitted.

ALBERT SIMMONS, stabbed by HENRY WILGER, April 27. Discharged by Grand Jury, September. No action taken, owing to absence of witnesses.

Infant child of ELIZA HEYNELL, thrown by mother (May 6) out of a window. Discharged by Grand Jury.

WILLIAM KIRNAN, shot (May 26) by JOHN PURCELL. In prison yet.

MARGARET BURKE, killed by her husband, MICHAEL BURKE, May 8. Discharged by Grand Jury, June 24.

RICHARD GREENE, shot by MICHAEL CARNEY, in Third-avenue, June 4. Still in prison. JOHN HARTNETT, an alleged accomplice, was discharged by Coroner KEENAN, July 16.

FRENCH WOODALL, found floating in the East River, (June 12,) with skull fractured.

JAMES STRAFFE died from injuries received administered by Dr. DENNIS ARNAUD. Discharged by Grand Jury.

FRANK BUSKER killed (June 29) by JOHN HASTINGS. No record in the case.

MORRIS LONG shot in a row by Officer CANFIELD, (July 4,) who was killed by another man.

ADAM GRAUL, stabbed by FREDERICK SCHLES and CHRISTIAN SCHLES, July 1. FREDERICK discharged by Grand Jury, Nov. 22. CHRISTIAN discharged by Coroner SCHOLER, Feb. 22.

SUSAN LANGHARR (July 11) killed by ROSANNA DRAKE while hasten. Asylum.

THOS. DELANY (Aug. 2) killed by a stone thrown by GEORGE RAMBERT, Both boys. Discharged by Grand Jury.

BRIDGET MOORE killed by her husband, Aug. 2. Still in prison.

JOHN FRIEDLANDER, beaten to death, (Sept. 6,) by MICHAEL LANDER.

THERESA BRUNER, a child, thrown down stairs, (Sept. 7,) by LOUIS GLEICH, who was discharged by Coroner SCHOLER.

JOHN HENRY, killed by MARY ANDERSON, Sept. 8. Discharged by Grand Jury on bail, Nov. 27.

ROBERT T. TOWLE, (Sept. 11) killed by unknown person.

THOMAS H. BARRETT, stabbed in West Broadway by ELIZABETH UTT, Sept. 12. Convicted of manslaughter third degree. State Prison one year.

PETER BOGERT, (Oct. 1,) shot by ROBERT FEY, a negro. Discharged by Coroner ROLLINS on a verdict of justifiable homicide.

CHARLES ARCHER and SARAH A. ACORE, stabbed by HIRAM ACORE, the woman's husband, who committed suicide at the time.

PATRICK MCGUIRE, killed by JOSEPH JAMES in Ninth-avenue, Oct. 11. Thereby committed and discharged by Grand Jury. [illegible]

HENRY GARRATY, killed by fracture of the skull, caused by a stone thrown by LEWIS A. GRIFFIN, Oct. 16. Acquitted.

JOHN BRIEN stabbed by ROBERT VERGUIN in Greenwich-street, Oct. 24. Case pending until the arrival of evidence called from Cuba on the question of insanity.

ARCHIBALD DOUGLAS, shot by THOMAS JACKSON, a Deputy Sheriff, Nov. 2. Awaiting trial.

CORNELIUS SULLIVAN, shot by PETER PARSELL, Nov. 2. Discharged by Grand Jury.

WM. KEANE, shot (Nov. 10) by JAMES LEE, in Grand-street. Discharged by Coroner KEENAN.

BRIDGET WEMPLY, killed by violence from her husband. No arrest recorded.

ALBERT D. RICHARDSON, shot by DANIEL MCFARLAND in the Tribune Office, Nov. 12. Awaiting trial.

ANN GRIFFITH, killed (Nov. 29) by her husband, WILLIAM. Discharged by Coroner FLYNN, Jan. 19.

By this formidable list it will be seen that besides JOHN REAL, there are six men confined in the Tombs awaiting trial on a charge of murder in the first degree, viz.: Henry Wilger, John Purcell, Michael Carney, James Woods, Thomas Jackson and Daniel McFarland.

Here is a terrible record for a single year's work. Now, as a specimen of how our authorities treat this business, let us take first the Smedick murder. JOHN REAL once wore a shield as a Deputy Sheriff, and reveled in the power it afforded him. REAL entertained a grudge against a Police officer named JOHN SMEDICK, whodid duty in the Twenty-first Ward, and won for himself a good reputation as an excellent officer. At least the better class of the residents in that neighborhood so esteemed SMEDICK, especially as he had made himself conspicuous in running down those street ruffians who now infest the entire City, and would not permit them to commit outrages in the vicinity of his post. SMEDICK had to perform partial duty in the locality haunted by REAL and a few more scoundrels of his stamp and character. REAL was an active partisan in politics, and used to boast of his influence at the polls. Politicians holding high office in the county were his sworn friends. SMEDICK found REAL indulging in a series of street rows and arrested him. The prisoner fought desperately, but was overpowered and finally committed for trial. The political affiliations of the prisoner soon secured his release on nominal bail, and the first intimation of the fact received by SMEDICK was in meeting REAL one night and being shot at by the ruffian he supposed was safe in prison. Fortunately for the officer the shot was not wounded, and he arrested his prisoner. The following day when REAL was committed for trial he used abusive and threatening language towards SMEDICK, who naturally indignant at REAL's conduct and his murderous assault, tightened his hold upon the prisoner and forcibly thrust him down stairs. For this he was doomed to death. Twice did REAL attempt to murder SMEDICK after that, and twice was he arrested by the officer, though the assail ant again and again emerged from prison. One clear starlight night he was in the mouth of Tally, Alley, as SMEDICK passed up Second-avenue on patrol duty, and in full uniform, he was suddenly and wantonly shot down by REAL, who had previously concealed himself behind a coal box near Thirty-first-street. The ruffian having made so many attempts to kill his victim, succeeded in this last instance, and by the murder of the officer deprived a widow and her little ones of their natural protector. So clear was the evidence presented against the prisoner at the Coroner's inquest that it only required two hours' examination to enable the jury to render a verdict against REAL and he was sent to the Tombs. Then the case was allowed to linger. A month or two after a Grand Jury were permitted to indict him for murder in the first degree. Nearly nine months elapsed from the date of the murder, when the pressure of public opinion grew too strong, and REAL at length found himself in a felon's dock on trial. He was convicted and sentenced to be hung, after a careful and impartial trial. So violent did the ruffians become at that time that fears of a rescue were entertained. The route from the Tombs to the Court Room was thronged each day by gangs of lawless men, who did not hesitate to utter their threats. The Court room on the last day of the trial had to be guarded by 100 picked policemen, and when the Judge pronounced sentence of death upon the criminal, as the solemn hour of midnight, the event was observed with a howl from the ruffians and thieves who had crowded into the Court room and excluded honest citizens. The Judge was so well aware of the feeling and sentiments of the mob by whom he was surrounded that he took official cognizance of the fact and warned them from the Bench. The new trial was to be trifled with. The prisoner was taken from the Court by a side door and the desperadoes, his sworn friends, locked therein until he had reached the Park. A force of special Police officers escorted REAL to Broadway, and by strategy conveyed him to the prison by an unusual route at the rear entrance. Repeated efforts were made to obtain a stay of execution, and the Judge was induced to grant one, but the Court of Appeals refused to interfere, and the sentence was carried into effect. The prisoner was strongly suspected of the murder of Officer SMITH, but the evidence was insufficient. Double the number of detectives, and a reward offered, failed to elicit the truth. Only one man in the City knew who was in the Court room believed his statement. The District-Attorney, in his endeavor to vitiate the evidence of the witness, asked him if he had not been in the Penitentiary himself for crime. The question was objected to by counsel, the objection sustained and overruled by the Judge. On this plea the execution of the culprit was stayed, in order that new argument could be had. REAL was reprieved while the workmen were erecting the scaffold a few feet from his cell. Since then great books have been printed and powerful counsel employed in his behalf—for whom? REAL is a poor man, yet he enjoys unusual advantages. After due argument in the Supreme Court, REAL's case was again decided against him, and now his lawyers have placed the case on appeal. A decision cannot, it is said, be arrived at before a twelve-month. The murderer has laid in prison fifteen months, and is yet in ignorance of his crime, and apparently hopes yet to escape from the penalty of the law. An effort has been made to create a feeling of sympathy for the culprit by spreading a false report of his ill health, produced, it is alleged, by his long confinement, which had been secured by the efforts of his own friends. REAL is not crippled, as has been affirmed, and presents the appearance of a man in good health, though naturally pale in consequence of exclusion from the open air of Heaven, under which he cruelly closed a human life.

THE DOUGLAS MURDER.

In the month of November last, when the excitement consequent upon the approach of the charter election was at its height, a quarrel arose between THOMAS CODY, about 30 years of age, and THOMAS JACKSON, a Deputy Sheriff and an officer in the Court of General Sessions, where the worst class of criminals are habitually tried. A young man named ARCHIBALD DOUGLAS, also a partisan in the First Ward, met JACKSON one day and heard him abuse one THOMAS CODY. He told the ruffian he had better tell the man himself what his sentiments were, and Jackson consented to do so. Meeting the object of his wrath the Deputy renewed his tirade of abuse, calling the man a liar and a thief. CODY said he was an old man and did not wish to enter into a controversy. They parted. At CODY's request LEARY, interfered and struck JACKSON. True to the instincts of his class the latter attempted to draw a pistol, when DOUGLAS, hoping to prevent bloodshed, threw his arms around JACKSON's body and pinioned his hands for a moment. While the latter was making a second attempt to draw his pistol, DOUGLAS was pursued into a neighboring liquor saloon by the bully, who, after repeated attempts, succeeded in firing his pistol at DOUGLAS, and sent a bullet into the back of his head, causing his death. There was no attempt made to shoot JACKSON, but he, yet he deliberately shot down the murdered man. Strenuous efforts were made at the inquest to clear JACKSON from the consequences of his crime, and the jury were prevailed upon to render a verdict that the murder had been committed in "perfect self-defence." JACKSON would have been released on bail had the City Press not raised with one accord an outcry against the contemplated outrage. Subsequently JACKSON was arraigned before a Grand Jury, who indicted him, perhaps some unknown influence, for manslaughter. A storm of indignation received this indictment by the people, so the case was sent before another Grand Jury, and the prisoner is now awaiting trial for murder in the first degree. He has not yet been tried, and it is difficult to say when he will be, so neglectful have the authorities become. JACKSON is a man of bad character, DOUGLAS, borne a good reputation. He was at the head of a gang of scoundrels in the First Ward, with whose help he managed to keep the neighborhood in a state of terror. One night, being intoxicated and disorderly, he was arrested by a policeman, when he assaulted finally hitting off the officer's club. For this offence he was never tried. While discharging his duty as an officer of the Court of General Sessions, he was given three convicted and sentenced burglars to escort to the Tombs from the Court room. While in the street, the handcuffs suddenly opened, and the three convicts were at liberty. Two of them got away, while the third was captured by a detective who happened to be near the spot. This matter was hushed up, though another Deputy Sheriff was about the same time, sent to the State Prison for a similar offence.

These two cases, with the murder of WILLIAM CONNOR on Saturday last, and the shooting of Officer Sylvester Broom, form a trio of the most desperate and unprovoked murders that have ever been on record in this City. That the accused may escape the forfeit demanded by the law in such cases, through the laxity of the criminal code or neglect of duty in authority, is a matter of public attention and has given existing excitement. How long it may last, or what direction it may take, is difficult to conjecture under the present state of affairs.

WHERE IS THE RESPONSIBILITY?

Now who is responsible for the impunity with which red handed ruffians violate the sacredness of human life? We have criminal laws and we have officials who are sworn to administer them to the best of their ability. Either these laws are defective or the officials lack the ability, or else there is some radical defect in the laws. In either or any case the remedy is within reach of the sovereign people, if they have not altogether given up their sovereignty into the hands of those whom they originally employed as servants. What do the men say for themselves? Whose duty is it to bring criminals to punishment and to see that the laws of the State are executed?

"YOU CANNOT SAY I DID IT."

is their uniform cry. The District-Attorney, whose sworn duty it is in every case of an offence against the criminal code, says in his defence that he always tried to do his duty in the matter. The delays in the case of REAL were not due to his neglect, and he furthermore believes the Magistrates and the Judges are responsible. Where then is the difficulty? It is in the law. It is the law which makes long delays easily obtained. The appeal, in cases where appeal is made, should be direct to the Court of Appeals and not at second hand through the Supreme Court, where stays of proceedings and delays in rendering decisions keep the case from a final adjustment for months. Very good, we will have this remedied, but how about those well-authenticated cases in which men guilty of the fouliest crimes are let out on insufficient bail and never brought to trial in the first instance, in many cases receiving their bail at the hands of a Grand Jury, who has no more right to grant it than Grand Jury Block in the City Hall Park? And how is it that when these "unavoidable" delays are all allowed for, the culprit is never brought to a sentence and to punishment? Defects in the law may go a great way, but they will not serve to explain away the wilful neglect of duty which are known to administer it. Lawyers, who have every facility for knowing the facts in many criminal cases, do not attribute the difficulty to defects in the law. They know that orders go to the Tombs and to Station Houses from the vicinity of the City Hall Park, and such parties of criminal origin can be set free. They know bail bail which they could not obtain for a chent, has been granted in some underhand way, which has no connection with the merits of the case. And they further prove that after such bail has been granted in many cases nothing more has been heard about the criminal, until he is brought up on some new charge. These late cases, up in the District-Attorney, have all occurred since we have had a term of Oyer and Terminer. That Court meets next week and we shall dispose of JACKSON, MCFARLAND and REYNOLDS with all possible despatch. Very good, the promise shall be remembered.

MAYOR HALL'S VIEWS.

The over affable and genial Mayor, Mr. A. OAKEY HALL, responded to a polite invitation given us from the TIMES, he says, in attacking the City officials and Magistrates is wasting its powder. They are used to these things, and they glance off like bullets from a rhinocerous' hide. And, furthermore, the officials are not at fault. The difficulty is in the jury box, and not on the Judge's Bench. The papers themselves give all the particulars of a case of crime, and every intelligent man forms an opinion on it, and what is more, the best citizens uniformly evade jury duty. These very editors and Presidents of Young Men's Associations, if they were called upon to act the indefinitable part

THE NEW UTAH.

Alarming Spread of Mormonism on Long Island.

Extent of the Efforts Being Made to Convert the Saints of the "Faithful"—Restoration of the Leaders of the Mormons—Shall we be Overrun?

The Mormon propagandists in our midst are still driving their work, and thus far with a degree of success that gives rise to painful apprehensions on the part of the "Gentile" world. In Monday's issue of the TIMES the progress of the Mormon missionaries on Long Island was set forth. General Burton, it was reported, had established a branch of the Saints at Baldwinsville, near Rockville Centre, and dispatched other laborers north and south throughout the island. The particulars of his operations in that section since his arrival reached us on Wednesday evening. We learn that during his tour through the country, in the neighborhood of Hempstead, Baldwinsville, Rockville Centre, Patchogue and Freeport, where he now is located, his work was confined to searching out those people of Mormon proclivities for the purpose of awakening them to action. His reasons for so doing have been variously expressed. Some have it that the prophets in the "valley of the mountains" have had a revelation from the Most High, warning them of coming trouble by fire and sword, wherefore they felt it their duty to call upon the preachers and elders of the people to go out among the scattered sheep, to arouse their slumbering faith, exhort them to active membership, and finally establish as many Mormon branches in one night as they could. This view of the mission is taken by most of the brethren in the Eastern States, consequently a grand rally around the banners of the Latter-day Saints may be expected. An estimate of the family of Williams, of Hempstead, that most of the Mormons located on Long Island are wealthy, and willing to cooperate in the work. Twenty of them have already rented a meeting house in Baldwinsville, where they hold forth three times a day. At Patchogue is located the nucleus of another branch, at Rockville another, and Freeport is set up as the seat of a grand effort to establish still another. Already we are informed that twelve persons have been converted and baptised there by General BURTON and his subordinates. Some of whom reside in Connecticut also are a number of missionaries who, natives of that State, became Mormons some years ago, went out to Utah, and on the call for laborers in the Eastern States were chosen by their friends and preach to them. Boston, and many of the principal towns in Massachusetts, Maine, New-Jersey and Pennsylvania, have been set apart as districts which are now being worked. Missionaries have been sent to Canada and England for the purpose of gathering all the members and as many proselytes as can be had to Utah, or, if the movement is successful, to establish a Zion in the Eastern Long Island. These statements may appear to be incredible, but they are borne out by those of leading Mormon Church dignitaries now in our midst. One of these in a conversation yesterday said: We do not seek converts for our way, but we do speak of the Most Notorious Saints that this great continent was to be the land from which the delegates of Christ were to be sent to all parts of the unbelieving world, and for this purpose in his own good time He will give it to our people, we are determined to abide by it, let the world do what it may.

During the coming week an additional force of elders and priests, headed by a Bishop, are expected to arrive in the City, to reinforce those already here. Another mission has also been commenced out West, and no effort will be spared to awaken the Mormon element throughout the Territories of Nevada and Colorado. Considered by the Saints as firmly established, and General BURTON will return to that point to-day or to-morrow.

Board of Aldermen—Estimate of City Expenses for 1870.

The Board met at 3 P. M. yesterday, Mr. COWAN in the chair.

A resolution from the other Board was concurred in, imposing a fine of $5 per day, after the 1st of March next, on all persons using awnings the drippings from which fall on the sidewalk.

Resolutions for the repairing of various streets were adopted.

The following communication was presented from the Finance Department:

ESTIMATE, CITY EXPENSES 1870.

For redemption of the principal of the City debt	$[illegible]
For interest on the City debt	1,734,[illegible]
For Board of Education	1,[illegible]
For Common Schools	[illegible]
For Commissioners Public Charities and Correction	1,[illegible]
For Metropolitan Fire Department	651,[illegible]
For Board of Metropolitan Police—expenses chargeable on City account	[illegible]
For Metropolitan Board of Health (City account)	[illegible]
For general purposes of the City Government, including municipal salaries and expenses of the City Courts	4,[illegible]
Total	$12,[illegible]
Less estimated revenues of the general fund	2,[illegible]
Total	$9,[illegible]
Tax levy for City purposes, 1869, was	$[illegible]
Estimate for 1870, as above	9,[illegible]
Loss for 1870	$[illegible]

The total levy for 1869, for City and County purposes was [illegible]

The communication was made the special order of business for the next meeting of the Board, which will be at 2 P. M. on Monday next.

The Committee on Protests—Sager vs. Guntzer.

The Committee on Protests of the Board of Aldermen met again yesterday, and heard the following further evidence in the case of Sager vs. GUNTZER:

Charles A. Lane, sworn: Was one of the canvassers of the Twenty-sixth Election District at the recent charter election; one of the official returns was written by myself, one by Mr. Sturgis, and one by the poll clerk; I signed all the returns; I compared this official return carefully; the figures are correct—the figures and 27 for Sager; I did not examine the return sent to Police Headquarters; I signed it, but don't know the figures; I signed it officially, but don't know that there is any law compelling me to do so; I never heard of any one that the vote was as for Guntzer and 28 for Sager. (Return shown to witness.) I do not see any erasure or interlineation; the paper looks soiled and yellow in the column of figures, but the figures are the same as when I signed it.

Henry Sager, sworn: Was a canvasser of the Twenty-sixth Election District; I made out one of the returns; know the figures are correct, because I wrote it; I wrote it from Lane's copy; have no other means of knowing that it is correct; I paid no attention to the number of votes cast; did not examine the tally list; did not announce the vote on the night of election; never showed the return to Guntzer; the statement made by Stadler yesterday, that I said that Guntzer would have to have more than five majority is untrue; I see no erasure or interlineation in the return; the paper looks soiled; I hunted my return to Alderman Cowan two or three days after the election; I thought he was Alderman of that district; I don't know the law as to the time in which I am required to make my return; I didn't know who was Alderman of that district; I don't live in it; never told any one I would take my return to Alderman Repper; never remembered that the vote stood Guntzer 28 and Sager 27.

The Committee will meet again to-day.

Washington's Birthday—Temperance Meetings.

The Congressional Temperance Society having recommended to the ministers, churches, temperance organizations, and the humane, philanthropic and patriotic throughout the land, to hold simultaneous meetings in their localities on the 22d of February next, the birthday of WASHINGTON, and unite in the organization of temperance societies, based on the simple total abstinence pledge, and adopt means for the promotion of temperance principles; and the officers of New-York State Temperance Society, so far as heard from, having heartily approved of this recommendation, S. MCKEAN, Secretary of the State Temperance Society, has issued a circular requesting the friends of temperance to hold meetings in all parts of our State. The circular expresses the desire that pastors and churches give special attention to carrying out the lessons of the occasion, and that temperance societies be organized, in the forms as under the auspices of the churches, and made auxiliary to the State Society. Printed constitutions for such organizations will be sent at once by the Secretary to any who desire them.

Washington Heights Library.

This library is now in the second year of its existence, and has become a fixed institution. It was organized by a number of residents of Washington Heights in 1868, and started at first on a small scale. By purchase and donation the number of volumes on its shelves has increased to over 1,500, besides having received to it a small reading room, containing the daily papers and chief periodicals. Within a week the directors have decided to move the rooms from the vicinity of One Hundred and Sixteenth-street, to 1,813 Amsterdam-avenue, near One Hundred and Fifty-fifth-street. This library commenced dates a certain class of readers at the upper part of the island, and is very generally appreciated. Among the gentlemen who established it are several prominent citizens of the Heights: Messrs. SMITH, TURNER, MARTIN, MACMULLEN, KRAFT, W. A. WEEDLOCK, GEORGE B. GRINNELL, J. P. MARTIN, W. W. CORNELL and J. TUNNEY subscribed the towards maintaining and enlarging this library.

NEW DISPENSARY.

Gratuitous Treatment of Diseases of the Throat and Chest.

Among the most difficult diseases which the physicians to whom are those which affect the throat and chest, on account of the inaccessibility and delicate organization of their internal parts. Since the introduction of the laryngoscope, by which a strong light is thrown into the cavity of the throat, great advancement has been made in this branch of medical science, and physicians who have made it a special study have treated with great success cases which would formerly have been regarded as beyond the reach of human skill. Ordinary physicians, however, have not devoted the requisite degree of attention to the subject, and in our hospitals a thorough treatment of diseases of this nature is very rare. Here, as in the treatment of diseases of the eye or ear, anything like perfection can be attained only by years of special study.

Among the few who have attained eminence in this department in this country, Dr. ANTHONY RUPPANER, of this City, holds a leading position. In order that those may enjoy the benefits of his skill who are unable to pay the large fees which are always required for the treatment of difficult diseases of a special character, Dr. RUPPANER determined some time ago to establish a dispensary where his services might be given gratuitously to those who need them among the poorer classes. He recently appealed to several prominent gentlemen, to whom he was personally known, and many of whom had themselves enjoyed the benefit of his skill, and they at once subscribed the necessary funds to found the institution, and assisted in obtaining its charter. It was incorporated on the 11th of December, 1869, and has just been opened, these gentlemen forming its Board of Trustees. Their names are as follows:

John J. Crane, M. D., James R. Wood, M. D., J. Milton Mills, M. D., Hordyce Barker, M. D., Louis A. Sayre, M. D., Hon. George H. Comstock, Esq., Ex-Judge Court of Appeals; Samuel G. Courtney, Esq., late United States District Attorney; William A. Hammond, M. D., D. M. Hill, Esq., Max Herzog, M. D., Edward A. Hasenpflug, Esq., Samuel C. Reed, Esq., Colonel Rush Hawkins, Hon. T. R. Flanagan, Esq., William Mosher, Esq., T. Gaillard Thomas, M. D., Hon. Horace Greeley, Hon. Elijah Ward, T. C. Nott, M. D., Hon. John Kelly, Ex-Sheriff City and County of New-York; Anthony Ruppaner, M. D.

Dr. RUPPANER is himself the attending physician, and is assisted by Dr. R. W. DUNCAN, which JAMES R. WOOD, M. D., and JOHN J. CRANE, M. D., act as consulting physicians. The Dispensary is located at No. 1,304 Broadway, between Thirty-fifth and Thirty-sixth streets, and is open for the present only on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 1 to 3 o'clock in the afternoon. An application has been made to the public authorities for pecuniary assistance, and it is intended in time to establish a hospital with all the necessary appliances for the successful treatment of diseases of the throat and chest which the other public institutions are not competent to handle.

Chess.

The score of the Brooklyn Chess Club Tournament is, up to last night, as follows:

	Won	Lost
F. H. Brewinger	12	0
C. A. Gilberg	8	1
F. Perera	5	1
Captain Mackenzie	5	1
M. Munoz	4	2
H. Chadwick	4	3
J. Delmar	3	3
J. A. De Con	1	12

Conscientiousness Act of an Unknown Importer.

An anonymous letter was received by Collector GRINNELL, yesterday, inclosing $122 81, which the writer represented to be about the amount of his indebtedness to the Government on certain goods which he had imported from Europe. He made the discovery that the goods were undervalued by himself after they were passed through the Appraiser's Department, and considered it his duty to pay the extra income duty. There was no name in the letter to the name of the writer. It requested an acknowledgment of the receipt of the money through the newspapers.

LAW REPORTS.

DECISIONS.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 2.

By Judge Van Brunt.

Metcalf vs. Barry; motion granted and receiver appointed.

Strauss vs. Brown; bail reduced to $10,000; in other respects the motion is denied.

Robinson vs. Robinson; motion granted.

In the matter of the petition of Flora Moses for the payment of money, &c.; referee ordered.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 2.

By Judge Van Brunt.

Robus vs. Sage; motion granted.

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT.

No. 861. *John Cutt* vs. *the State of Minnesota.*—Error to the Supreme Court of Minnesota.—In September, 1867, an indictment was found against the plaintiff in a District Court of the State, for the murder of Alexander Campbell, in Brown County at that State, in December, 1866, on which he was subsequently tried and convicted in Redwood County, in pursuance of a change of venue granted after the trial. The Supreme Court of the State affirmed the conviction, and the plaintiff brings the case here, insisting that the conviction was error, because, under the laws of Minnesota, a person who is acquitted of the murder, he could only be indicted by the Grand Jury of Brown County, and be tried by a petit jury thereof; and that the law passed subsequently authorizing the Grand Jury of another county to indict him, and the Petit Jury of another county to try him, is under the Federal Constitution, necessarily ex post facto and void. The defendant objects that this Court has no jurisdiction of the question presented, and moves that the writ of error be dismissed. It is contended that in the Court below, counsel for the prisoner did not raise the question of the constitutionality of the law under the Constitution of the State, and that it was on that question solely that the Court ruled. On the record it is contended that the law passed by the Legislature of which the act of the defendant is an amended state law, under the Constitution of the United States. It imposes no punishment for an act which was not punishable at the time it was committed, nor any additional punishment to that then prescribed, nor does it change the rule of evidence. The prohibitory clause relates to crimes and punishments, and not to criminal proceedings. It neither touches the creation of a new tribunal for the trial of old offences, nor the enlargement of an old one, for it is a purpose, nor any law solely relating to its organization, practice and proceedings.

Mr. Justice MILLER, for the plaintiff. E. S. Corneli, Attorney-General of Minnesota, for the State.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT—SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Before Judge Blatchford.

MERCHANTS' ACCOUNTS—DISCHARGE REFUSED.

In the matter of Garret S. Bellis and James Milligan, bankrupts.—This was an application by the bankrupts for their discharge, which was opposed by the creditors on the ground that the bankrupts, being merchants or tradesmen, did not keep proper books of account in their business, as required by the act. The specifications charge that the books were kept in such a manner that a competent person could not determine the pecuniary condition of real condition of the bankrupts, and that therefore the amounts to many thousand dollars were not entered therein.

Held by the Court, That the bankrupts were merchants and tradesmen in contemplation of the act of 1867 until June, 1868. The evidence is clear that they kept no cash book or account, answering the place of a cash book between March 2, 1867, and June 2, 1868, and that it is impossible for a competent book-keeper or accountant to ascertain from the books which they kept, what was their business condition when they stopped business in June, 1868. The keeping of a cash book by merchants, such as the bankrupts, is indispensable. (In re Solomon 2, Bankrupt Reg. 2; In re Gay, id. 114. In re Littlefield, 2 id. 11.) That the books which the bankrupts have, are so entirely specific to admit evidence that no cash book which they was kept for a period of time. (In re Blatchford, Bankrupt Reg. 2. Besides, if necessary, an amendment of the specifications would under the circumstances be allowed. Discharge refused.

J. N. Piper for the creditors. Abbott & Fuller for the bankrupts.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS—FEB. 2.

Before Judge Cardozo.

THE CONSOLIDATED STEAMSHIP COMPANY—COPARTNERSHIPS TO RUN THE BLOCKADE—A REMINISCENCE OF THE REBELLION.

Thomas D. Jersey and Twenty-six other Plaintiffs vs. *Henry Hart et al.*—The plaintiffs in this action claim to be stockholders in the "Consolidated Steamship Company," organized under the act of the Legislature of South Carolina, of which the defendant, Hart, was President, Treasurer, and a director in the years 1861 and 1862, and had control over the accounts and property generally of said corporation, and of the affairs of the Company. It appears that he has not, since the year 1862, furnished to the Company any account of his receipts and disbursements. The complaint on to-day on a motion which was made by counsel for the plaintiffs for an injunction, an accounting, and the appointment of a receiver of the property of the Company. The motion was heard upon the complaint and affidavits of Messrs. Jersey, Cheetham, Jr., R. C. Ely, complaining now New-York, and Henry Hart, the latter being a resident of the City of Charleston, S. C. The plaintiffs claim that the Company is indebted to them in the sum of $2,000 in gold. Hart denies that he ever now or ever did owe any sum whatever to the Company, and that he never received any money belonging to the Company. The motion was argued at considerable length by Mr. Edward L. Andrews, for the plaintiffs, who, in the course of his argument, cited the case of Woodworth vs. Sweeny, 1 Abbott's Reports, 1, and other cases, he said, determine that, notwithstanding the immoral purposes of a contract of copartnership, parties cannot retain the possession of property which they have acquired by means of such contract. In law, a copartner stands in such circumstances in the position of a trustee for the copartner, and a Court of Equity will compel him to faithfully execute that trust.

Mr. Cantwell, in behalf of the defendants, insisted that the plaintiffs had mistaken their remedy. The only remedy they could have in such a case was by a summary bill in a Court of Equity. There was no authority for a Common Law action. The case had been already heard before Judge Barnard, and that Judge had denied the motion. The plaintiffs were residents of Charleston, S. C., and not of this State, but there did not appear to be any new facts sufficient to warrant this Court in reversing the decision of Judge Barnard.

Judge CARDOZO took the papers. Decision reserved.

THE NEW-YORK BONDED INSURANCE COMPANY.

In the case now pending and argued yesterday before Judge CARDOZO, Mr. Whitney finished his argument in behalf of the Continental Life Insurance Company, in the course of which he sought to show that the status of the corporation was that of a mere agent, and that the policies were to be liabilities, than those of North-Western Company at Milwaukee. Also that a majority of the policy holders of the British Commercial had not chosen to be reinsured in the Northwestern; that the reinsurance was made by the Commercial; that made with the Continental furnished the more favorable terms which had been offered by any company of Milwaukee, and should be sustained by the Court.

Mr. Nathan followed for the receiver and the case was submitted.

SUPERIOR COURT—SPECIAL TERM—FEB. 3.

Before Chief Justice Barbour.

PRACTICE IN CHAMBERS—ORDER OF ARREST.

Application was made *ex parte* for an order of arrest in an action for slander. The pleadings and affidavit simply set forth the nature of the action, the slanderous words, the injury to plaintiff, and that he (plaintiff) had been in the employment of the defendant. The affidavits were held insufficient in not stating who or what the defendant was, whether he was a resident of the City or not, and what his business and pecuniary responsibility, so that the Court may determine as to the propriety of the exercise of the power of arrest to issue. The Chief Justice said: The power is as maintained by this Court, now requires that a necessity for an order of arrest, in cases of slander, exists, and that the order should be denied, but subsequently granted on further affidavits.

ORDER OF ARREST—PLEAS PERENCIES.

Application was made for an order of arrest in an action, the cause of which was alleged to have arisen out of loss representations on the part of the defendant. The affidavit of the plaintiff stated that the defendant represented himself as holding a patent for the manufacture of cotton, and that subsequently by the plaintiff "discovered and became satisfied that such representations were false and wholly illegal and unauthorized, and that the defendant has never been represented by him." The affidavit of the defendant, in opposition, contained a statement that he had proof that such representations. It does not appear that the plaintiff caused an examination of the patent records, or what, if any, grounds he had for the statement of the falsity of defendant's representations. The Chief Justice said: The affidavit is sufficient, but an affidavit must prove facts just as a witness would prove them, if examined on the stand. Application denied.

EXTENSION OF TIME TO ANSWER.

Application was made for an extension of time to answer, based on affidavits showing that a previous extension had been given by order of the Court. The affidavit was held insufficient, in not having stated whether any extension had been given by consent of the parties, so that the Court might see whether defendant had had sufficient time to prepare his answer or not.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT—BROOKLYN.

Before Judge Pratt.

A BUROVER CASE—ACTION FOR DAMAGES.

Bridget McGowan vs. *Michael Ennis.*—The plaintiff is a lady well advanced in years, and while crossing Third-avenue, New-York, between Sixty-fifth and Sixty-sixth streets, on the 1st of January, 1869, she was run over by a liquor-beer wagon owned by defendant, and brought this suit to recover $3,000 damages for injuries sustained on that occasion. The defendant denied the material details and alleged that plaintiff had contributed to the accident by negligence on her own part.

Before Judge Gilbert.

A CITY RAILROAD DAMAGES CASE.

Harvey Hendrick, Jr., vs. *The Brooklyn City Railroad Company.*—This case was tried originally in June, 1867, and a verdict was rendered in favor of the defendants in running a car over his, whereby he lost a leg. The case was tried before Judge Brown and the plaintiff was nonsuited. He then appealed to the General Term, and Judge Brown's decision was reversed and a new trial ordered. The defendants appealed to the Court of Appeals, and asked that judgment affirmed with costs. The Court of Appeals reversed the judgment of the General Term, and affirmed the Court of Appeals affirmed the judgment. The day, after an interval of about twelve years, the case came back to the jury to assess the amount of damages sustained. After a short absence the jury returned, having assessed the damages at $5,000, being the full amount claimed.

THE LONG ISLAND RAILROAD CASE.

The action against the Long Island Railroad Company for $50,000 damages, for injuries received at the accident near Willow Tree Station on the 3d of April last, was closed on Wednesday, and yesterday the jury returned a verdict for the plaintiff, assessing the damages at $15,000.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM—BROOKLYN.

Before Judge Gilbert.

A SUPPLEMENTARY IN THE NATURE.

Dorine A. Knowlton vs. *Clarence Kilmer.*—Plaintiff alleges that in December, 1868, defendant applied to him and made other payments to him in the payment of mortgages, providing bonds in Ohio, and to induce him to do so defendant stated that he knew a person who had received considerable the investment in the of large quantities of such bonds due January, and as he was unable to accompany the person he would transfer the bond to Johnson, without making any element in the price, to the plaintiff, for $2,[illegible] more in the purchased which he otherwise would not have paid. Defendant denied that he represented to the "Dead Creek and Free Pay Mining Company" of which defendant was President, and that the bonds were worthless, and that he had lost the entire money on the bonds, which he paid to the Company on the alleged false representation made by the Company in relation to the bonds. Plaintiff alleges that he has paid the sum of $[illegible] to recover which he has been compelled to institute this suit. Defendant in his answer explained the facts connected with the purchase of the bonds mentioned by the plaintiff, and alleged that all his dealings with plaintiff had been in good faith.

DIVORCE.

Lydia Evets vs. *George Evets.*—Report of referee confirmed and judgment of divorce granted, with [illegible]

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

NOTICE.

The calendar of causes to be tried by the Court without a jury will be called at the Trial Term on the second calendar of short causes will be called on Friday, the 25th February, 1870, by order of the Court.

N. JARVIS, Jr., Clerk.

KINGS COUNTY COURT OF OYER AND TERMINER.

Before Judge Pratt.

The Fenian vs. John Hassett.—The defendant was indicted by the last Grand Jury for murder in the first degree, having, as alleged, killed Terrance Flynn on the course of Navy and Johnson streets, on Sunday, the 24 day of October last. The case came up yesterday in the Court of Oyer and Terminer in the shape of a writ of habeas corpus, on which the prisoner, the Court, after hearing John Cooney, Esq., for the motion and Mr. Jackson, for the People, ordered that Hassett be admitted to bail in the sum of $2,000.

The Court then closed one day. The next term begins on the first Monday in March.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Justice Sutherland and Dowling.

In this Court, yesterday, thirty prisoners of both sexes were arraigned on various minor charges. Eight of the number were discharged.

SENTENCES.

Frederick Graves, guilty of misbehaving money while in the employ of Evan Thomas, of No. 39 East Thirty-sixth-street, was sent to the Penitentiary for six months. Of the following prisoners were also imprisoned: John Burns, four months Penitentiary; Thomas Collins, nine months Penitentiary; Michael Cosgrove, six months Penitentiary; John Dillon, sent to the Female Penitentiary; Dora Daly, five days; City Prison; Michael Dooley, four months Penitentiary; Charles Hughes, six months Penitentiary; Thomas Kelly, four months Penitentiary; Patrick Mulhern and Patrick Doherty were sent to the Catholic Protectory.

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS.

Sales at the Stock Exchange—Feb. 4, 1870.

FIRST BOARD—10½ A. M.

$8,000 U S 5-20 C. '67	114½	12 Bank of N. Amer.	101
1,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67	114⅝	5 do do Commerce	122
400 do	114⅝	5 do do	122
5,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67	114⅝	500 Canton Co	57
70,000 Tenn. 6s, new	69⅞	100 Cum. Cl. Pref	38
40,000 do	69⅞	100 W'ms' Ch. Tel	93½
50,000 do	69⅞	100 Quick. R. Co	15⅝
5,000 Tenn. 6s, 1.6.		50 Mariposa M	10
bot. call	64	300 Mariposa Pf	20½
10,000 Va. 6s, ex c.	61	100 Pacific Mail	41⅞
20,000 do	61	1000 do bot. call	41⅞
5,000 Va. 6s, n.	64½	200 Boston W. P. b.c.	15½
10,000 Mo. 6s, ex c.	92½	200 Adams Ex	54½
10,000 U. Cas. 6s, ex c.	42½	100 Wells, F. & Co	33½
10,000 do	42½	100 U. S. Ex. Ex	50½
20,000 do	42½	100 do bot. call	50½
10,000 Mo. 6s, n.	42½	100 N. Y. Cen. & H. R.	97½
20,000 do	42½	100 do R. Cit.	98½
10,000 do	42½	100 do	98½
1,000 Mo. 6s H. & St.		100 do	98½
Jos.	81	40,000 do	98½
2,000 La. 6s, ex c.	67½	50,000 do	98½
10,000 do	68	50,000 do	98½
1,000 do	68	50,000 do bot. call	98½
5,000 Jer. City W. L.	98½	100 Erie Rec. call	35½
1,000 Erie 2d M.	98½	100 Erie Pref. b. c.	65
1,000 M. So. S. F. 7s	97½	100 Reading	94½
5,000 Cen. Pac. R. R.		100 do	94½
1st M.	84½	100 do b30	94½
4,000 Union Pac. R.		200 L. S. & M. S. R. R.	84½
1st M.	85	200 do	84½
17,000 do	85½	200 do b60	84½
40,000 Chic. R. & Q. 8s	116	200 Clev. & Pitts	86½
1,000 Chic. & R. I.		100 do	86½
1st M. Bonds	100½	100 Pacific R.	116
8,000 Morris & Ess. 1st	100½	200 Chic. & N. W.	73½
2,000 do 2d M.	86½	100 do b30 call	73½
1,000 Pitts., Ft. W. &		100 do b60 call	73½
Chi. 2d M.	91½	100 Ill. & St. Paul	72½
3,000 Chi. & Mil. 1st	93½	100 do b30 call	72½
1,000 Ill. & Wis. L.		115 Pitts., Ft. W. & C.	
G. M.	84	100 do	86½
5,000 do	80½	200 do b60	86½
4,000 Mil. & Mis. 1st	90	100 do b30 call	86½
3,000 Chi. & Mil. 1st	90	115 Pitts., R. W. & C.	
7,000 Ohio & Miss. 1st	93	Guar.	80½
1,000 Gt. West. 2d M.	77½	200 do bot. call	80½
10,000 do	77½	200 Chic. & Alt.	145
20,000 Col., C. & Ind. C.		100 Ohio & Miss.	30½
1st M.	72½	100 do	30½
5,000 do	72½	200 Morris & Essex	96½
2,000 do	72½	100 Del. L. & W.	102
5,000 N. Y. & A. R. R.		100 H. & St. Jos. R.	103
1st Mort.	50	100 do	103½
10,000 N. Mo. 1st M. R.	81	100 do b30	103½
100 Phenix Bank	107	100 L. S. & M. S. R.	103½
20 Metropolitan Bk.	124	100 do b30	103½
10 do	124½	200 Col. C. & I. C. R.	37
5 do	124½	100 do b30	37
50 Cont. Nat. Bank	112	200 N. Y. & N. H. R.	180½
50 Pacific R. Bank	108	100 Dub. & S. C. R.	100½
100 Tenth Nat. Bk.	136	200 St. L. & Iron M.	49½

SECOND BOARD—12 M. AND 2½ P. M.

$18,000 U. S. 6s, '81, C.	118½	$4,000 U.S. 5-20 R., '67,	
500 do cash	117½	cp.	114½
10,000 do	118½	2,000 do	114½
2,000 do	118½	$6,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67,	
10,000 U. S. 1-20 C. '67,	115½	bot.	114½
1,000 do	115½	10,000 do	114½
30,000 U. S. 5-20 C. '67,	114½	20,000 do	114
20,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67,	114½	20,000 U. S. 6s Cur.	111½
20,000 do	114½	40,000 do	111½
20,000 U. S. 5-20 R., '67,	114½		
500 U.S. 6s, 10-40 C.	112½		

SECOND BOARD—1 P. M.

$20,000 Tenn. 6s, n.	69½	$20,000 N. Y. Cen. & H.	
40,000 do cash	69½	R. Cit.	98½
40,000 N. Car. 6s, n.	38½	100 do bot. c.	98½
1,000 do	38½	100 Erie	35½
1,000 Col. C. & I. C.		100 Reading	94½
1st M.	72½	200 L. S. & M. S. R.	84½
20,000 do	72½	200 do b60 call	84½
1,000 M. & St. P. 1st	92½	200 Clev. & Pitts	86½
1,000 P. Ft. W. & C.		5 P., Ft. W. & Chi.	
1st M.	80	Guaranty	80
500 Canton Co	58	200 Chic. & N. W.	73
100 do	58	100 do	73
100 do	58	100 do b60 call	73
200 Quicksilver	15½	100 do	73
200 Mariposa Mining	10	15 N. J. Cen	97½
200 Mar. Pf.	20½	100 do	97½
200 do	20½	100 Del., L. & W. R. R.	102½
200 Wells-Fargo Ex.	19½	100 do	102½
200 A. M. U. Ex.	50½	100 Chic. & Alton	127½
100 U. S. Ex. Co.	50½	100 do	127½
100 do b60	50½	100 H. & St. J. R.	103½
100 do b60 call	50½	100 H. & St. J. R. Pf.	107½
200 N. Y. C. & H. R.		100 do	107½
bot. call	97½	100 do	107½
100 do	97½	200 Col., C. & I. C. R.	37½
100 do	97½	100 Dub. & S. C. R.	100

NEW NATIONAL BOARD—NOON.

100 Marlboro M.	10½	400 Rock Island	115
100 Canton Co.	58½	200 Quartz Hill	60
100 do	58½	200 Canada Mining	40
100 Pac. Mail	40½	100 do	40
200 Reading	94½	200 Green Valley	80
100 do	94½	200 do	80
200 L. S. & M. So. R.	84½	2000 do	21
200 do	84½	1000 do	20
200 do	84½	1000 do	0
100 Chic. & N. W.	72½	200 W. U. Tel	90½
100 do	72		

STREET SALES OF ROCK ISLAND—FEB. 3.

From opening to 12½ P.M.		100 Rock Island	115
2700 Rock Island	115	From 12½ to 2½ P. M.	
100 do	115½	200 do	115½
100 do	115½	1200 do	115½
100 do	115½	500 do	115½
200 do	115½	300 do	115½
200 do	115½	200 do	115½
100 do	115½	100 do	115½
100 do	115½	200 do	115½
400 do	115½	100 do	115½
400 do	115½		

THURSDAY, Feb. 3—P. M.

At the United States Assistant Treasurer's Office, to-day, the proposals received for the million of Government Gold offered for sale amounted to $2,600,000, as follows:

Wheeler & Connelly.		E. O. Read.	
$50,000	121.07	$50,000	121
G. C. Magoun.		White, Morris & Co.	
10,000	121.05½	10,000	121.12
20,000	121.10	10,000	121.01
20,000	121.10	10,000	120.01
20,000	121.09	10,000	120.01
10,000	121.07	10,000	120.01
10,000	121.07	10,000	120.01
10,000	121.06	Drexel, Winthrop & Co.	
10,000	121.05	10,000	121.12
10,000	121.05	20,000	121.12
10,000	121.05	Vermilye & Co.	
10,000	121.05	100,000	120.02
10,000	121.05	10,000	121.02
10,000	121.05	E. Ketch.	
10,000	121.05	10,000	121.02
10,000	121.05	10,000	121.02
10,000	121.05	10,000	121.02

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NEW-YORK, FRIDAY, FEB. 4, 1870.

Amusements this Evening.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st., corner Irving-place.
MASANIELLO, (Italian Opera.) Leading characters by Madame Lotman, Bagagli, Bellini, and Mlle. Sanni.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
23d-st., corner 6th-av.
HAMLET. Leading Characters by Messrs. Edwin Booth, Waller, Hamilton, Miss Blanche De Bar, and Miss Fanny Morant.

BIRLOW'S GARDEN.
Broadway, near Prince-st.
THE DUKE'S MOTTO. Leading characters by Mr. Pocock, Mr. Shewell, Miss La Clercq and Mrs. M. Jones.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.
24th-st., near Broadway.
SURF. Leading characters by Messrs. Geo. Clarke, Davidge, Miss Fanny Davenport and Mrs. Gilbert.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 13th-st.
OURS. Leading characters by Mr. Lester Wallack, Mr. Gilbert, Miss Effie Germon and Miss Mestayer.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, near Bleecker-st.
THE SERIOUS FAMILY and THE SPITFIRE. Leading characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox.

THEATRE FRANCAIS.
14th-st., near 6th-av.
LA GRANDE DUCHESSE DE GEROLSTEIN. Leading character by Mrs. Howard Paul.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
BUCK, BUCK,—HOW MANY BOENS, (Pantomime.)

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE.
Broadway, corner 30th-st.
Afternoon—WILLIAM TELL. Evening—IXION. Large collection of curiosities.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs.
EXHIBITION OF EQUESTRIAN AND ATHLETIC FEATS.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
No. 585 Broadway.
NEGRO MINSTRELSY. Birch, Wambold, Bernard, Backus, &c.

APOLLO HALL.
30th-st., near Broadway.
EXHIBITION OF A PANORAMA OF IRELAND.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The member of Parliament for Dundalk, Ireland, proposes to move for an investigation into the condition of the Fenian prisoners....Mr. LEFEVRE, Member of Parliament for Dublin University, has resigned his seat....Petitions for the disuse of the Athanasian creed have been favorably received by the Archbishop of York.... Specie in the Banks of England and France has largely increased during the past week.....A London dispatch says the public mind, since the rumored illness of the Pope, dwells upon names of candidates for the possible succession, the favorite in England being Archbishop MANNING.....VICTOR HUGO'S "Lucrezia Borgia" was produced on Wednesday night at the Porte St. Martin, in Paris, before a disorderly audience, who hissed and insulted PAUL DE CASSAGNAC, the journalist.... The Marquis HORMOZA, the Carlist leader, and a prisoner under sentence of banishment from Spain, recently escaped from a sergeant, who had him in custody. The sergeant has also disappeared.....An Alexandria dispatch says that vessels drawing over seventeen and one-half feet, cannot safely pass through the Suez Canal.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday a bill was introduced providing for the relief of sick and disabled seamen. Resolutions, among others, were offered for the abolition of certain ports of delivery, and as to the expediency of establishing a National Police force, in view of the state of affairs in portions of the South. Mr. SHERMAN reported the bill for funding the national debt, extending banking privileges and establishing specie payments. The discussion of the joint resolution in regard to supplying the naval deficiencies, was then taken up and continued at length. An amendment offered by Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, was adopted, providing that no higher wages be paid Government employes than are paid by private citizens in the respective localities—the vote standing 29 to 22. Further action upon the subject was deferred, in order to permit Mr. CARPENTER to speak upon the neutrality question. His speech was mainly in answer to Mr. SUMNER on the Cuban question, and immediately after the Senate adjourned.

In the House a large part of the session was taken up with a discussion of the bill to supply the naval deficiencies, amounting to $6,000,000, the result of which was the adoption of an amendment reducing the appropriations to $1,500,000, and the passage of the bill as amended. The bill for the admission of Mississippi, which is exactly similar to the one under which Virginia was admitted, was reported, and after some debate passed. A substitute previously offered for the admission of the State unconditionally was rejected by a vote of 85 to 96. A bill amending the act in relation to additional bounties, which extends the benefits of pensions, &c., to the families of deceased soldiers who enlisted for a period of less than a year—was passed. The subject of American citizens imprisoned abroad was again discussed at some length, but no action taken. Among the resolutions offered and adopted was one of inquiry as to the propriety of granting to all citizens the privileges of banking on all Government bonds. An extensive and important bill providing for the execution of every and all the laws in Utah Territory was reported and recommitted. A majority report was presented in favor of granting the seat of the Eleventh New-York district to Mr. VAN WYCK. The case will be brought up on Tuesday next. The Tax bill was made the special order for March 1, to be taken up after the Tariff bill. At 4:30 P. M. the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate yesterday a bill was introduced authorizing the granting of land in the City of New-York to found an asylum under the direction of Sisters of Charity. The bill relating to public health in New-Utrecht was passed. The resolution was adopted requesting our representatives in Congress to urge the erection of United States buildings in Albany, and another asking upon the 10th inst. as the day for election of a Regent of the University in place of the late SAMUEL LUCEY, and a Police Commissioner in place of [illegible] who will shortly expire by limitation, and a resolution, also in a report, showing that it will require $2,000,000 to complete the Erie, Oswego and Champlain Canals, and that they should be completed in three years. The bill to provide for the election of inspectors and canvassers of election in Kings County was amended so as to affect Brooklyn only, and was ordered to a third reading. A bill was introduced to amend the charter of the Young Men's Christian Association of New-York. The bills to amend the Flatbush and New-Utrecht avenue act, and to authorize the Citizens' Gas Light Company to lay pipes in New-Utrecht were passed. The bill amending the Long Island and New-York Bridge Company's charter underwent discussion and amendment in Committee of the Whole.

GENERAL.

The feeling in Cuba among the Spaniards on the killing at CASTAÑON is reported to be very strong, and the volunteers show signs of retaliation. The Captain-General urges them not to give so poor an idea of the Government that employs them. Two men were killed on Wednesday night in Havana.

A terrible accident occurred yesterday morning on the Boston and Albany Railroad, by the uncoupling of a long freight train about the centre, while ascending a steep grade, West of Chatham Village, the detached half running down the slope with great rapidity and into another freight train coming after. The cars and the locomotive were piled in ruinous confusion, and instantly killing the conductor, one fireman and a brakeman, and injuring another fireman and a brakeman.

Sir EDWARD THORNTON is making preparations for the visit of Prince ARTHUR to Boston.

The "Labor Reform" members of the Massachusetts Legislature have determined to confine their labors to labor-reform measures, and to have nothing to do with woman-suffrage and "other doubtful measures."

At a caucus of the Radical members of the Missouri Legislature, it was agreed to submit to the people an amendment to the State Constitution enfranchising all deprived of the privilege, irrespective of race or color.

The State Medical Society in session at Albany, adjourned *sine die* to-day after electing the following officers: President, Dr. S. O. VANDERPOEL, of Albany; Vice-President, Dr. GURDON A. DAYTON, of Mexico, Oswego County; Secretary, Dr. WILLIAM H. BAILEY, of Albany; Treasurer, Dr. JOHN V. LANSING, of Albany.

A letter from Camp Supply, Indian Territory, of Jan. 22, says that hostilities are again threatened by Indians in that region, and much apprehension of trouble exists among the white settlers.

A fire in the studio of an artist in the Crosby Opera House building, Chicago, startled the audience on Wednesday night, who rushed in a panic for the doors. No one was injured. The loss of the artist, Mrs. H. S. ST. JOHN, is said to be $7,000 or $8,000, half insured.

The conductor of a freight train, near Burlington, Vt., was killed and three employes seriously injured yesterday, by the train running off the track.

The illness of Governor WASHBURN, of Vermont, at Woodstock, will probably prove fatal. Last night he appeared to be sinking.

The contracts for supplying printing paper to the Government printing office have been awarded to New-York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Boston firms.

LOCAL.

The case of JERVEY et al. *vs.* HART et al., which came up yesterday in the Supreme Court, Special Term, before Judge CARDOZO, on a motion for an injunction and the appointment of a receiver, involves some very delicate questions of law arising out of the late rebellion. The Consolidated Steamship Company was organized in 1863, by the Legislature of South Carolina, for the avowed purpose of running the blockade in and out of Charleston, and the question now is, can a partnership agreement be enforced under such circumstances?

The Comptroller yesterday sent to the Common Council his estimate of expenses for City purposes for 1870, amounting to $9,854,249 06. This is $1,069,799 47 less than the levy of 1869.

Over 400 boxes of valuable cigars were seized on board the steamer *Eagle* yesterday, having been smuggled in this port from Havana in bundles of lumber, in which they were neatly concealed. The property is valued at several thousand dollars.

MORRIS J. HILL, formerly connected with the Farmers' and Drovers' Bank, of Somers, Westchester County, was arraigned before one of the United States Commissioners yesterday, on a charge of having embezzled about $30,000 from the bank.

First Catch Your Hare.

The resolution introduced into the House of Representatives by Mr. LOGAN, desiring to know why the United States have not recognized the Cubans as belligerents, and asserting that they have "carried on active hostilities against Spain for fifteen months, have established and still maintain a *de facto* Government, and now occupy with their armies and control a large portion of the island," should also have contained information as to the seat of the *de facto* Government, and the amount of territory it controls, because we suspect that it is the very absence of definite information on these points which has kept the Executive from doing long ago what General LOGAN evidently thinks it ought to have done. It is very difficult to accord belligerent rights to a people unless you know where their territory is; and if anybody is able to say where the territory of the Cuban Republic is, or even in or about the size of the area over which the writs of its Courts run, he has thus far held his peace in a very unjustifiable way. We all know there are "insurgents" in the east end of the island, but then how many? Do they hold any portion of Cuban soil in such a way that the people living on it look to them for police justice, pay them taxes and allegiance, and that the enemy cannot penetrate it except in large force? Nobody ventures to assert anything of the kind. If the President were to "accord belligerent rights" to-morrow, and to send an envoy to Cuba to announce the fact to the "*de facto* Government," he would not know where to look for it. He would find nobody to tell him where its seat was, or who administered it. He would be unable to find any line or frontier separating its territory from that of the enemy, or any organized force to whom he could appeal for escort or protection. If, in consequence of the concession, cruisers appeared at sea, as they would, and undertook to search American vessels, as they might, or commit any other outrage on American commerce, Mr. FISH would know no more where to look for redress, or indeed have any more chance of getting it, than if their operations were directed by the Flying Dutchman.

Whatever the concession might be in form, the body to whom it would really be made, and who would reap all the benefit of it would be the Cuban Junta in this City and Washington. They are really the only approach to an organized Government which the Cuban revolution possesses. It is their whole stock in trade. Without them there would be no Cuban question, such as it is, to be discussed in Congress. To recognize them as belligerents would be to recognize them as the Cuban nation, such as it is, and to put them in the position of being able to carry on the war at sea, which is what is wanted when these belligerent rights are demanded; it is to their coffers that the proceeds of the captures would go, if indeed the Captains thought it necessary to make any returns. But it is casting no imputation on the members of the Junta to say that it would be highly inconvenient to have a foreign Power, friendly though it be, established on our own soil, protected from reprisals or other customary modes of redress for international injuries by the State Federal Constitution, including the writ of *habeas corpus*. Mr. FISH could never send a military or naval force to exact satisfaction from "a *de facto* Government" established at the Gramercy Park or Clarendon Hotel. The proprietor would call a policeman and give the army and navy into custody. If they succeeded in eluding the vigilance of the Police, and making their way to the governmental parlor or bedroom, taking the organization prisoner, or seizing and smashing its property, the prisoner would be released under a writ of *habeas corpus*, and the assailants would be visited with an action of trespass or trover and conversion. In fact there is no end to the difficulties and embarrassments in which Mr. FISH would find himself plunged, if in his present state of knowledge he were to accord belligerent rights to the Cuban insurgents. Before recognizing a *de facto* Government, you have to find your Government, and it has to have its seat somewhere outside your own territory. The United States has had a somewhat comical experience both with Cuba and Ireland, in having "belligerent rights" demanded for insurgents of these two countries, while actually carrying on military operations from United States soil. We have ourselves seen the Government of the "Irish Republic" established in this City, sending out armies and navies to engage in active military operations, and have known the President of the "Republic" to promote an officer by general orders, issued from his headquarters in the Bowery, for gallantry in a battle fought under the general superintendence of an Irish Minister of War, having his official residence in Chatham-street. They were firmly convinced they were entitled to belligerent rights, but for obvious reasons never got them.

Our Public Libraries.

Our most valuable libraries are not popular, and our most popular ones are not extensive enough to be strictly called valuable. To one who merely runs over the names of our City collections, there might, indeed, appear some grounds for the conclusion that we are already well supplied with books; but by any one who visits and examines them, a somewhat different opinion will be arrived at. Though some of our existing institutions can show fair proofs of their usefulness, the fact remains that none of them can claim the distinction of being both public and popular in the sense of the splendid collection in Boston, or of any of the renowned literary treasure-houses of Europe.

We confine our remarks to those libraries which in one sense or other may be claimed as public property, and whose management, being the execution of a public trust, is open to criticism. In this connection, therefore, we only notice the Mercantile Library for the purpose of testifying that it fulfills its distinctive functions of purveying to the literary wants of a very large class of our population in a way to which no possible exception can be taken. That of the Historical Society may also be dismissed with the remark that every year its value as a collection for special purposes becomes more apparent, and that its judicious management will command the admiration and gratitude of posterity in a way which none but historical students of the past can to-day appreciate.

With regard to the Astor Library, while we cordially indorse the praise lately bestowed by the Librarian of Congress, Mr. SPOFFORD, upon its many admirable features, and upon its character, "so encyclopædical and yet so select;" we must also agree with him in doubting whether the declared purpose of its founder has been adequately carried out. The declared purpose of Mr. ASTOR was to found "a public library, accessible at all reasonable times and hours, for general use, free of expense to all persons resorting thereto." Comparing this with the present management of the institution, it is difficult to avoid the conclusion that it has not been fulfilled. The Trustees may reply that there is no instance among the great reference libraries of Europe of one which is at once a resort of the learned and a reading room of the masses. But setting aside the difference of educational *status* between the American people and most nations of the Old World, there are many details of the Astor Library which suffer in the comparison. As a mere resort of students, the difference between it and the British Museum, or the Imperial library of Paris, is more than one of degree. The average period during which it is open is shorter, it possesses no properly-digested catalogue, it retains a restriction against using ink in taking notes, and is destitute of those convenient box desks which the studious readers of Europe find supplied to them. It, moreover, keeps pace with current literature in a very halting fashion, and holds the more recent reviews beyond the reach of ordinary readers for an unreasonable length of time.

The single point of superiority, and this is no slight one, which it possesses over some of the larger libraries in Europe, is the unrestricted freedom of admission it offers without personal recommendation or introduction. But its merits must be judged from an American, not from an European standpoint. And so regarded, its shortcomings are still more numerous. There can be no doubt that the reading class among our people is a more extensive one than in any other country in the world. Take any subject of intellectual study, and the students of it will be found in all ranks and classes, in a degree which is elsewhere without parallel. Against many of such the doors of the most splendid of our City collections is closed, and our just pride in the munificence of the [illegible] to be regarded of half its merits.

To see the effects of popular management, even when conducted with a very meagre array of books, we have only to turn to the Cooper Union. Here the library is subsidiary to the public reading room, but scanty and ill-assorted as its contents are, and undistinguished by either numbers or catalogue, they form the nightly resource of hundreds of intelligent artisans and others employed during the day. The perfect freedom of admission and selection has a charm which outweighs many imperfections, and which only needs to be associated with a larger and better selected collection of books to render this department of a valuable institution an immense public benefit.

The Apprentices' Library in Broadway is well known and appreciated among a large and important class, but is not sufficiently familiar to the general public. For this the management are so far responsible, since they still adhere, in their capacity of the Society of Mechanics and Tradesmen, to the rule which makes the use of the books free to a section of the public only. We need only further refer to the very fair installment of a good library which the Young Men's Christian Association have lodged so splendidly in their new building. While its selection has been evidently guided by all that admirable catholicity which forms so gratifying a feature in the work of the association, it is necessarily distinguished by a preponderance of the logical treatises which give it a special rather than a public character.

Funding the Debt.

The anticipatory statements of our Washington correspondents are confirmed by the details of the Funding bill, reported by the Finance Committee of the Senate yesterday. Three series of bonds are to be offered, bearing, respectively, four, four and a half and five per cent. interest, and redeemable, respectively, at the option of the Government, after the expiration of twenty, fifteen and ten years. Principal and interest both payable in coin in this country or at London, Paris, Frankfort and Berlin. The five and four and a half per cent. issues are to be limited in amount to four hundred millions each, while no restriction is placed upon the amount of the four per cents. A sinking fund is to be created, the annual contribution to which will be measured by the difference between the aggregate sum required for the payment of interest and the hundred and fifty millions which are assigned for the joint expenditures. It is intended that the new bonds shall gradually be accepted by the national banks as the basis of their circulation, three years being allotted for the conversion, which may be into the three series in equal proportions. Free banking is authorized on the four per cent. basis, subject to the condition that greenbacks shall be canceled in amounts equal to the increased amounts of bank currency to be thus put into circulation.

In its general characteristics this scheme is probably as good as can be devised. There would be no chance of funding a four per cent. bond at short dates, and the promoters of the measure are averse to funding at long dates a five per cent. security. The graduation of interest will enable the Treasury to make the experiment in the only way that can properly test the disposition of foreign investors to take American securities bearing a lower rate of interest than those now in the market. Experience alone can demonstrate the accuracy of the information and reasoning on which the scheme is founded. The application of the coercive principle to the national banks is neither unreasonable nor unjust; in no other quarter may the compulsory conversion of higher rates into lower rates be urged with safety or fairness. The introduction of the free banking feature of the bill is not so obviously expedient; nor is the contemplated withdrawal of greenbacks likely to be acquiesced in without an effort by those who assign to the Government notes an important agency in the process of resumption by the banks.

The New Charter and the Old.

Yesterday we published in full Mr. FRYAR's bill for reorganizing the Government of this City; and, in our Albany dispatches, we presented such other facts relating to the subject as were not apparent in the bill itself. It only remains to carefully compare the new, or Tammany, charter with the one under which we now live, and to specifically note their differences, which, we may premise, are many and grave.

In the first place, the State Metropolitan Commissions, namely, the Board of Police, the Fire Commission, the Board of Health, and the Board of Excise, together with the Croton Aqueduct Board and the Street Commission, are to be abolished, and their functions are to be vested in local municipal departments, responsible solely to the Mayor and Aldermen.

In the next place, the authority of the Mayor and Aldermen is to be greatly increased. Under the existing charter, the Mayor, the Aldermen and the Assistant Aldermen are elected once in two years, the Counsel to the Corporation once in three years, and the Comptroller once in four years. Under the new charter, the Mayor, Comptroller and Corporation Counsel are each to be elected for four years, the Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen for two years. The existing charter gives us one Alderman and one Assistant Alderman from each Assembly District; but the new charter gives us fifteen Aldermen, to be elected upon a general ticket by the City at large, while the Board of Assistant Aldermen consists of one Assistant Alderman, to be elected in each Ward. There is, however, to be no charter election this year, the time assigned in the bill for the first election being 1871, and so on, every odd year thereafter. The legislative powers assigned to the Boards of Aldermen and Assistant Aldermen, who together constitute, as now, the Common Council, are substantially their present powers, though these are particularized in a manner more likely to do harm than good, on the well-known legal principle that the mention of some powers is the exclusion of the rest. But the object seems to be so [illegible] all certain legislative functions hitherto exercised by the State Legislature, to connection with the Commissions. However, it is not a little remarkable, perhaps, to find a provision that "the Common Council shall have no power to impose taxes or assessments, or borrow money, or contract debts or loan the credit of the City, unless specially authorized so to do by act of the Legislature."

So much for the legislative power. Next, the executive power is to be vested hereafter "in the Mayor and the Departments herein created," with the Mayor as the chief executive officer of the Corporation. These Departments are the Finance, Law, Fire, Police, Sanitary and Excise Departments, the Departments of Public Works, of Public Charities and Correction, of Public Parks, of Buildings, of Education—eleven in all. Their duties are evident from these titles, except, perhaps, those of the "Department of Public Works," which is, however, simply a union of the Street and Croton Departments, with nine sub-bureaus. In these eleven Departments are concentrated, among others, the powers and privileges hitherto enjoyed by the Metropolitan Commissions.

Touching these Departments, the most notable provision is that all the heads of Departments, except Finance and Law, "shall be appointed, suspended or removed at pleasure by the Mayor, by and with the consent of the Board of Aldermen." It is to this provision mainly that we referred in speaking of the vast increase in power of the latter functionaries under the new charter. On the other hand, these eleven Department officers may in turn appoint and remove all their chiefs of bureaus, (except the Chamberlain and Chief of Police,) clerks and employes. It is also provided that the heads of Departments (except the Fire and Police) may regulate absolutely both the numbers and salaries of all subordinates, provided they do not exceed their appropriations. This arrangement obviously tends to make the holding of a Department a lucrative affair.

Turning now to departmental details, the first change of importance is found in the Board of Police, which is to be composed henceforward of five Commissioners, two of whom shall be the Recorder and the City Judge. Under this Board are two bureaus, known as "first" and "second," and presided over respectively by a "Chief of Police" and an "Inspector of Police." The Chief of Police is to be appointed by the Mayor, and to hold office "at the pleasure of the Mayor." This, of course, gives the Mayor an enormous increase of executive control. The act provides, however, for retaining the existing Police force, except the Superintendent and inspectors, and, in general, we may here say that the new charter, while displacing the direct appointees of the State, and some of their higher subordinates in all departments, leaves the working force alone for the present, and at their present rates of pay. The new Police provisions are not noticeably different from those of the Metropolitan organization, except that they are vastly more minute, sharing, in this respect, the prolixity and verbiage of the whole charter. As with the Police Board, so with the Fire Board—the main change is from State to local government. The Board is to consist of three persons, and under them will be two bureaus, headed by the Chief Engineer and by the Inspector of Fire Apparatus. So in the Sanitary Department we find a Board of five persons, two of whom are to be the Health Officer of the Port and Corporation Counsel, and under them four bureaus. The existing subordinates are mainly to be retained. The Department of Public Parks is also substantially the same in duties and privileges, except that it is to be under a board of control, of ten members, of whom two are to be the Comptroller and the President of the Public Works. The present Park Commissioners are declared to be members of this Board for the residue of their present terms.

The excise provisions are of course radical in their changes. The board is to consist of three persons. Liquor shops may be open day and night, except between 1 o'clock and 4 o'clock in the morning. On Sundays, however, they must be closed as now, except that "hotels and steamboats" may "entertain the traveling public" on Sundays as usual, and lager-beer gardens may be open on Sundays as on other days, and beer sold, provided only "such garden is situated at least a quarter of a mile from any place of public worship."

With this bit of charter wisdom we may appropriately close our summary, as the remaining provisions of the new document are chiefly designed to carry into effect those already noted, and do not differ greatly from the present practice, or, at least, the present law. The new Election bill is mainly intended to do away with registration.

This glance at the new charter, as compared with the old, reveals the leading ideas which have prevailed in the preparation of the scheme. First, all the powers of local government, hitherto exercised by the State, are repossessed by the City. Next, the powers thus restored are to be henceforth so concentrated, that a few persons can much more fully, promptly and surely than now control the entire City. This is effected by two devices: The legislative power is limited to fewer individuals than at present—the Common Council being smaller, while one of its boards is elected as a "general ticket," instead of singly by districts or wards; and there is a great concentration of power in the "heads of Departments," and these in their turn depend for their authority on the good pleasure of the Mayor and Aldermen; while among these executive departments appear as wholly certain functionaries, such as the Comptroller and Corporation Counsel, with such frequency as to bind the whole fabric closely together and make the political circle or "ring" complete. Undoubtedly, many alterations and amendments will be proposed in the Legislature before this charter is adopted; but when all is said and done, the change will be substantially one from the machinery of the Commission to [illegible] of Albany to the tender mercies of Tammany.

The House has acted promptly in the case of Mississippi, and has taken the only course admissible in the premises. The bill yesterday reported from the Reconstruction Committee and adopted, after a couple of divisions, is identical in its provisions with that under which Virginia has been restored to the Union. Now, will the Senate forego its fondness for talk and concur with the House in doing justice to Mississippi?

It may be doubted whether any man in this City has worked harder this week than Prince ARTHUR. He has been dragged about from morning till night, and unless he keeps all his appointments to the very minute, people think themselves very much ill used. A dinner party, a ball, a reception and a theatre make up his usual evening's occupation. In the daytime he is expected to go visiting, and of course [illegible] keeps him as long as possible. It might not be proper to say to a Prince when he wished to go, "Do stay a little longer!"—but short of that all fair means are tried to keep him. After a heavy dinner and three or four parties few men are inclined to keep an engagement early in the morning. When the Prince goes to a ball he is expected to dance from the time he enters to the time he leaves. If he failed in this duty his popularity would soon be on the wane. That he has acquitted himself very well under all the circumstances seems to be the general verdict of society. He has, socially, almost "rehabilitated" some circles, and paid a very deserved compliment to others. We believe that at least a hundred photographers have sued for the "privilege" of taking his portrait, each photographer producing indisputable evidence that he is at the head of his profession. The Prince's credit, in every branch of art or commerce, would be good here for some time to come—a fact which would interest his esteemed brother, the Prince of WALES.

Attorney-General HOAR is at least relieved from suspense,—the Senate having yesterday rejected his nomination to a seat on the Supreme Court Bench by what is described as "an emphatic vote." We hope that Mr. HOAR will not make the unfriendliness of the Senate a reason for withdrawing from the office of the Attorney-General.

The report of the Sanitary Officer of the Board of Health, in reference to the sudden appearance of relapsing fever, confirms the statements we have recently made on the subject. There is nothing to be dreaded from the disease by those who pay proper attention to cleanliness and ventilation. But unfortunately many of our streets are in the condition which is specially favorable to the propagation of the disorder. Every now and then the Board of Health is obliged to order certain thoroughfares to be swept and cleansed at its own expense—the contractor looking on at the arrangement with perfect satisfaction. The Board has recently paid $600 for one operation of this kind. Meanwhile, the regular contractor comes before the public to ask for more money. When he tells us what he does with the amount already paid to him, we may probably be in the mood to listen to his application.

A New-Haven journal reminds us that it is the respectable portion of the community which is really responsible for the misgovernment of New-York—the corruption of the judiciary, and all the rest of the evils under which we groan. It says, in effect, that decent citizens ought to combine, without regard to party, and reform their government lawfully at the polls. They ought to vote, instead of staying at home on election days. We hope our New-Haven contemporary does not suppose that we have never heard all this before. We have dinned it into the ears of "decent citizens" time after time—we devoted a whole page to such arguments and appeals at the very last election, and here we are to-day under the yoke of the Democrats. If our New-Haven contemporary thinks it would be easy to bring its millenium to pass, we heartily wish it would come here and do it.

The Governor of Louisiana has been explaining how it happens that the Legislature is corrupt. The wealthiest portion of the community are constantly engaged in the work of bribing the members. The Governor declared that he had himself been offered $20,000 to sign one particular bill, and another fifty thousand to assist the "Nicolson Pavement Bill," which he vetoed. The leading men of the State, instead of assisting him to check corruption, were the most active agents in all kinds of dirty work. Perhaps these remarks might be applied to the "leading men" of other States besides Louisiana.

A correspondent, whose letter in the present crowded state of our columns we are unable to find room for, complains that the lawyers who attended the meeting for organizing reforms at the Bar had no right to exclude other honest members of the profession from their consultation. He contends that the meeting "arrogated too much to itself," and moreover that the proposed organization cannot do "that which public sentiment, and the administration of the law, fail to accomplish." The first objection seems to us to be founded on a small pique, as uncalled for as it is unworthy of the subject under discussion. It would have been impossible to have called *all* honest members of the Bar together. Everything must have a beginning, and if a "mass meeting" had been summoned, as our correspondent suggests, it would have been productive of caustic schemes and mere uproar. If a man turned his back upon this movement simply because he was not invited to attend the first meeting, he would subject himself to the suspicion of acting from wounded vanity. As regards the second of the above objections, we can only say that it would put an end to all attempts to effect reforms, whatever directed. If we gave up a cause as lost because "public sentiment" has failed to reach it, no great battle for right would ever be fought. We must awake the public sentiment, and in order to do that it is necessary to bring forward as complete a body of facts as we can. The new organization will have hard work to do, but if it sticks to it long enough it will succeed.

The proposed extortion on the part of the ice dealers is to receive the attention of the Legislature. The New-York Companies have, as most people know, taken advantage of a mild Winter to give notice of an increase of price to the extent of fifty per cent. There may be a scarcity of ice in the neighborhood of this City, but millions of tons might be transported hither at comparatively little expense. There is nothing whatever to warrant the enormous increase now contemplated by the dealers. They simply think that they have the public entirely at their mercy, and consequently can exact any terms they please. Now is the time [illegible] association; nothing to be gained with fair profits might make a fortune this Summer.

It is seriously to be hoped that the introduction of new Gas bills in our Legislature will not tend to defeat all legislation upon the subject. The grievances are sufficiently serious to admit of trifling. The arbitrary proceedings of the companies—the way in which they shut off the supply without notice, charge an exorbitant rent for meters, and enforce payment for gas that has not been consumed—have long excited indignant comment. There is, moreover, something utterly offensive and insulting towards the community, upon whose necessity for light they depend, in the insolent manner with which they disdain all attention to remonstrances. From traders they have become aristocrats. The public is literally set at defiance, and poisoned, blinded and cheated with impunity. Let us have one good Gas bill, and let its provisions be clear, comprehensive and impossible to be evaded or misunderstood.

Is there to be no end to the destructive ravages of kerosene? Already it kills more than railway and steamboat accidents put together, and yet the fatal explosiveness is merely a consequence of adulteration. Commercial fraud is becoming an agency more deadly than the most dreaded epidemic; it poisons the community through its drinks, and destroys life and property by means of the domestic lamp. The poor creatures who were left homeless and destitute the other night by the fire in Thirty-fourth-street may have no appeal against the injustice that diluted the household oil with elements of destruction, but the State ought to take cognizance of an abuse so shameful and so inhuman.

Ambassador BURLINGAME, in a recent letter to M. BISMARCK, the Prussian Minister, shows that the difficulties, as lately reported between the Chinese and the foreign residents, have been removed, and that the Emperor's Government has granted to the outsiders the rights of working the coal mines and navigating the waters of the interior—concessions which none of the Treaty-making Powers would probably be willing to make in its own case. Along with these the foreigners have got permission to live in any part of the country they please—another of those rights the Chinese were reluctant to concede, till the liberal-minded Lord CLARENDON had rebuked the British officials in China for their assumptions. The Chinese are really doing as well as can be expected, and are scarcely to be blamed for their dislike of being "run in upon" and civilized too impetuously. That old Empire certainly owes a good deal to the genius and action of its youngest sister in the family of independent States.

The literary President of the Argentine Republic, Don DOMINGO SARMIENTO, seems to be the "happy accident" which that country was so long in need of. He has been numbering his people who, according to our correspondent's statement, amount to about two millions, all living very comfortably on their improved agricultural and pastoral resources and their increasing exports of hides, tallow and wool. He has sent to ask M. LESSEPS for the loan of a couple of his engineers to make his new port of Madero, and has, no doubt, been the suggestor of the trade of exporting live animals from the pampas. For this purpose a London-built steamer has been ordered over, and it is hoped this way of exportation will succeed better than the plan of sending out the preserved meat. The Argentine region is a *pays de cocagne* in the matter of beef, and we should be happy to have a little of that superfluity in this quarter.

The bold action of the California Senate in removing all restrictions upon theatrical entertainments, operas and kindred amusements on Sundays, is, of course, for political effect alone. It is almost a wonder that minstrels and other "melodeon" hall entertainments, in connection with the sale of drink, were forbidden by the same bill. No doubt the change will be agreeable to very many persons, and the members who voted for it, in a majority of 22 to 6, will be regarded as having redeemed their pledges to that effect. But it is no use to argue the matter with them from a religious point of view. Nor, if the question comes up here, as it may, will the Democratic Party use it in any other way than as a means of securing the German vote, and that of the classes who have no Church-going proclivities. The California clergy strenuously opposed the bill of course, as those of New-York would also, if this City were the locality concerned. And in this they would be supported by the best and most thoughtful citizens we possess. Unfortunately, those latter have lost much of their political influence by abstaining too generally from politics in other matters, and consequently might not be able to prevent what they most sincerely condemn.

The Police Justices and the Grimalkins—Shall Thieves Rule?

At a caucus of the Police Justices on Tuesday, at which all were present except Justices DOWLING and BIXBY, a resolution was adopted praying that the Legislature repeal the Special Sessions act. In the interest of a proper administration of criminal justice, we trust that the Legislature will not listen to the recommendation. We believe this to be another move of the dangerous classes, and one which, if successful, will result either in the reign of the lawless, or in the formation of a Vigilance Committee of citizens for self protection.

Before the Special Sessions act was passed a few years ago, the eight Police Justices, or rather three of them at a time, composed the Special Sessions Court; but the influence of all the eight Justices and of their friends controlled. If a friend of a culprit could by any influence "reach" one of the eight Justices, his acquittal, or in case of conviction, a suspension of judgment, was almost a certainty. In those days the acquittals far outnumbered the convictions. There were also in those days no fees collected; these were, as a rule, remitted, even if imposed. It was a Court without responsibility, without dignity, and without punctuality as to its sittings.

The Legislature wisely passed a law constituting two of the Justices elected from two particular districts the Court. These Justices were DOWLING and KELLY. The former was a Democrat, the latter a Republican. There was immediately a marked improvement in the administration of the business of the Court. The books of the Comptroller's office show that fines were then imposed and collected, and that the Court has been since that time more than self-supporting. Trials have, as a rule, been speedy, and punishments sure and certain. Judge DOWLING, from his long experience as a Police Captain and detective, if probably have conversant with the dens, haunts and characters of thieves than all of the other Justices combined. He has had a life of experience in Police matters and as a criminal Judge. He is a man, whatever may be his faults, whose integrity is unquestioned, and whose courage is undoubted. The other Police Justices are men without any Police experience, and but one or two of them have had any experience as criminal Justices. The majority of them have been elevated to their positions from subordinate places under the Corporation. Judge RICHARD KELLY, the other Justice, composing [illegible]

high character and with a marked sense of justice. He was not, however, reflected. His successor in Justice DOWLING was Ian Temporal, whose course has been in entire accord with Justice Dowling, and who appears ever ready to defer to the dogmatism and judgment of his superiors.

Now, what is the meaning of the efforts to destroy this Court and to put it back into its former disgraceful and disorganized condition? It is because Justice DOWLING will not recognize the personal and the written request of the other Magistrates to discharge criminals in cases when his judgment is that they should be convicted and punished. He has made himself particularly obnoxious to one of the Justices, whom name we will not mention, but who owes his election to the repeating and fraudulent voting of gangs of thieves who live as a portion of his precinct. If such Magistrates can gain possession of this Court they will be able to convict, if it be necessary, their constituents of minor offences when they should be indicted for felonies, and sent to the State Prison. Their duties as Magistrates, in connection with their duties as Judges of Special Sessions, are such that if a culprit is brought before them for the crime of burglary, they can take the complaint for petty larceny, and send the case to the Special Sessions. The same Magistrate will appear the next morning in company with two of his colleagues, on the Special Sessions Bench, with a whisper, "That is my case." The prisoner will then plead guilty to the misdemeanor, and his friend, the Magistrate, will sentence him to the Penitentiary for thirty days, and to pay a fine of $50. The thirty days' imprisonment are served, and the fine is quietly remitted! The citizen whose house has been entered and whose life has been endangered by an armed burglar, may denounce the District-Attorney for not sending him to the State Prison for ten years, when the fact is that the District-Attorney has never seen the complaint. For this and other reasons these Justices who assembled yesterday, pray that the Special Sessions act be repealed, and the people be allowed the "constitutional privilege of electing their own Justices." As things are now, if the Magistrate takes a complaint for a misdemeanor when it should be a felony, the lynx eye of Justice DOWLING discovers it, and he remands the prisoner, and sends the paper to the District-Attorney to procure an indictment.

The present movement on the part of certain Magistrates is to assist the dangerous classes who have elected them against all that is reputable and useful in society.

If this act be repealed, the eight Magistrates will become a greater power than the District-Attorney and the Grand Jury, for the reason that these two powers will never be able to acquire jurisdiction in many cases. Felonies will be reduced to misdemeanors, and disposed of as such. We interpret this movement, then, as a movement of the dangerous classes in large and confirm dominion. To resist such a movement is not with good citizens a question of party, but a question involving the security of property, of person and of life.

East River Navigation.

Opposition is manifested in some quarters to the passage of the measure forbidding the Sound steamers from landing (as now) on the North River side of the City. The ground assigned for this opposition is that trade would be impaired, and that the warehousing interests on the West side would suffer materially if the measure be carried out. An evening contemporary avers that merchants "send and receive, yearly, by these boats, nearly three millions tons of merchandise." Now, from authentic sources we learn that the tonnage received by way of these steamers averages, daily, about 2,200 tons at the most liberal calculation. Allowing 312 during days of the whole year, we have, as the amount of tonnage carted from the boats to warehouse, 1,026,000 tons—a difference of 1,974,000 in the estimate of the journal referred to. Aside from this, the main fact to be taken into consideration is the avoidance of that danger to life and property which the present system renders probable. Of itself this should be sufficient to insure somethings. The idea embodied in the pending bill is by no means a new one. As early as 1857 the matter was thought worthy of consideration. The report of the Commissioners relative to Encroachments and Preservation of the Harbor of New-York, transmitted to the Legislature in that year, alludes to it as follows:

"It will be seen by reference to the evidence submitted that the practice of the Eastern steamers passing through the East River is subject of general complaint; that, in the opinion of pilots and other competent witnesses, it is dangerous, and should be placed in jeopardy by that, regardless of high speed, and that, if the speed were lessened so as to conform to the law which forbids steamboats to pass through the City at a higher rate than four miles an hour, the danger from collisions would probably be decreased by diminishing the control which the Captains have over their vessels when under a full press of steam. The interest of the public, and the rights of the interests of the owners of these vessels would be promoted if they were compelled by law to stop at the piers in the eastern part of the City."

When it is remembered that the authors of this report were the late General TOTTEN, Chief of Engineers, United States Army; the late Professor PERCE, of the Coast Survey, and (the now) Admiral CHAS. H. DAVIS—gentlemen who had no other object in the matter than that of looking to the best interests of the harbor—it will be seen that the proposed change of the law is of more practical importance than many suppose.

In point of time consumed in removing the eastern freight from boat to warehouse, the argument is in favor of the contemplated change of landing. It now takes forty minutes' time for the steamers to come from their North River berths to Coriear's Hook, which time might be gained on every trip if the change of landing were made. As most of the houses trafficking in the goods brought here by these steamers lie between Canal and Walker streets, the new landings on the East River will be equally as accessible as the ones on the North River, while at the same time the crowded condition of the streets on the west side will not, as now, prove so great a drawback to the speedy carrying of freight from the steamers to warehouse.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

LEVY'S FAREWELL CONCERTS.

Mr. J. LEVY continues to hold the public farewell. Since Mr. CHRISMULES' assumption of Nicholas Nickleby's privilege of leave taking, there have been few performances more protracted. But as long as the ceremony is productive of good concerts there is no reason to complain of its length. Mr. LEVY gave a second farewell *soirée* yesterday, and its quality was few satisfactory altogether to allow of faultfinding with its title. Miss ANNA MEHLIG was at the piano, Messrs. MORGAN and MORAT at the organ, and Mr. WERNER at the violoncello, while Mr. BANDOLFI and Mrs. KEMPTON sang, and Mr. LEVY gave the cornet-à-piston its usual conspicuousness. The programme was too liberal to allow of its recapitulation here. Those portions of it interpreted by Miss MEHLIG and Mr. LEVY were especially successful, though the kind of pleasure afforded by the two artists differs materially. Miss MEHLIG's playing is most delicate and perfect, but relatively cold and not as vigorous as we would desire. CHOPIN'S Scherzo in B minor was first given by her, and, though the pianist was recalled, it was hardly a meritorious effort. Liszt's rhapsodia which followed was rendered, however, with much finish, and the same composer's transcription of motives from MENDELSSOHN'S "Midsummer Night's Dream," established as one of Miss MEHLIG's most brilliant pieces, faced with the best result the resources of a noble instrument. Mr. LEVY contributed two numbers, and was recalled after each. We cannot go into further details as to the remainder of the bill, though we would suggest that the organ was made somewhat too prominent, and became painfully so when used in accompanying, with absurd effects, ROSATER'S "Stella Confidante."

Theatrical.

THE FRENCH DRAMA.

M. and Mme. MOREAU, with M. WERSHEIMER'S artists, act at the Theatre Français tomorrow evening. "Mlle Mathon," a French version of "East Lynne," and the enchanting comedietta of "Les Jurons de Cadillac" will constitute the programme of the second of the series of interesting Saturday entertainments.

PUBLIC PROCEEDINGS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE.—WASHINGTON, Thursday, Feb. 3.

Mr. MORTON presented a memorial from the members of the Bar of Philadelphia for an increase in the salaries of the Judges of the District Courts of that State. Referred to the Judiciary Committee.

RELIEF FOR SEAMEN.

Mr. CHANDLER introduced a bill to reorganize the Marine Hospital service and to provide for sick and disabled seamen. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

RESOLUTIONS.

Resolutions were offered and adopted, as follows:

By Mr. PERRY—Directing the Postmaster-General to communicate information in regard to the alleged claim of the Postmaster at Augusta, Ga., for compensation during his suspension from office; the opinion of the Attorney-General, if any, upon such application, and the evidence, if any, that such person was ever qualified for said office by taking the oath prescribed by the act of Congress.

By Mr. KELLOGG—Directing the Committee on Commerce to inquire into the expediency of establishing ports of delivery where the same can be dispensed with without detriment to the public service.

A NATIONAL POLICE.

Mr. ABBOTT offered a resolution setting forth the occurrence of frequent violations of the public peace in various Southern localities, and that protection to life and property by the Government was the right of every citizen, and instructing the Committee on Judiciary to inquire into the power of the Government to give protection to its citizens within the limits of such States, and to report what legislation is required; and especially to inquire into the constitutionality and expediency of establishing a national Police force for the better enforcement of the law.

THE FINANCES.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported the following bill to authorize the funding and consolidation of the national debt, to extend banking facilities, and to establish specie payments:

Be it enacted, &c., That for the purpose of funding the debt of the United States, and reducing the interest thereon, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized to issue, on the credit of the United States, coupon or registered bonds of such denominations, not less than $50, as he may think advisable, in sum not exceeding $400,000,000, redeemable in coin at the pleasure of the Government at any time after ten years, and payable in coin at twenty years from date, and bearing interest at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable semi-annually in coin; and such bonds may be disposed of either in the United States or in the Metropolis of the Secretary of the Treasury for United States notes, or may be exchanged at not less than par for any of the obligations of the United States now outstanding, and held by the holders of such bonds; and, if in the opinion of the Secretary of the Treasury it is thought advisable to issue a larger amount for purposes hereinbefore mentioned, he is hereby authorized to issue such bonds, and the same are hereby authorized, provided that there shall be no increase in the aggregate debt of the United States in the amount authorized by this act.

SEC. 2. That the bonds authorized by this act shall be exempt from all taxation by or under national, State, or municipal authority.

SEC. 3. That the interest of said bonds may be made payable at the Treasury of the United States, or at the office of the agent of the United States, either in the Cities of London, Paris, Amsterdam or Frankfort in dollars, or its equivalent thereof in sterling money, at the rate of 4 to the pound.

SEC. 4. That the Secretary of the Treasury be and he is hereby authorized to appoint such agents in the United States and in Europe as he may deem necessary, to aid in the negotiation of said bonds, and be may pay the costs incurred, and the expenses thereof, in such newspapers and journals in this country and in Europe as he may select for that purpose, and a sum not exceeding one-fourth per centum of the bonds herein authorized is hereby appropriated to pay the expense of preparing, issuing and disposing of the same.

SEC. 5. That, in order to carry into execution the provisions of the article entitled "An act to authorize the issue of United States notes, and for the redemption or funding thereof, and for funding the floating debt of the United States," approved Feb. 25, 1862, relating to the sinking fund, there is hereby appropriated out of the duties derived from imported goods, the sum of $100,000,000 annually, which sum, together with the sum now provided by law to be applied to the payment of the interest and to the redemption of principal of the public debt, and the United States bonds now held in the Treasury shall be canceled and destroyed, and the United States bonds now held in the sinking fund; and the United States bonds now held in the Treasury shall be canceled and destroyed, and a duplicate called receipt being made in the books of the Treasury Department, and the bonds hereinbefore provided under this section shall in like manner be canceled and destroyed, and a full and detailed account of the same, with the full and detailed accounts of all moneys received and paid out under this section, shall be made by the Secretary of the Treasury to Congress with his annual report, and the aggregate amount of the bonds canceled under this section shall be stated in his monthly statement of the public debt.

SEC. 6. That on and after the 1st day of October, 1870, registered bonds of any denomination not less than $50, issued under the provisions of this act, and no others, shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the United States as security for the notes issued to national banking associations for circulation, under any act authorizing the issue of such notes when secured by a pledge of United States bonds; and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved June 3, 1864; and all national banking associations organized and to be organized under the act aforesaid, are hereby required to deposit bonds issued under this act as security for their circulating notes within one year from the date of this act; in default of which the circulation of such associations shall be forfeited and the Treasurer and the Comptroller of the Currency shall be authorized and required to take such measures as may be necessary to call in and deposit the bonds of such associations, and to retain so much of the bonds held substantially therefor to the association by which they were deposited, in sums of not less than $1,000, provided that any such association now in existence may, within thirty days after notice to the Comptroller of the Currency by resolution of its board of directors, deposit legal-tender notes with the Treasurer of the United States to the amount of its outstanding circulation, and take up its bonds pledged for its redemption; and provided, further, that not more than one-third of the bonds deposited by any bank as such security, shall be of either the classes of banks hereby authorized, on which the maximum rate of interest allowed shall be four and a half or five per centum per annum.

SEC. 9. That the amount of circulating notes which any bank may receive from the Comptroller of the Currency under the provisions of section 16 of said act, shall be equal to the average capital per centum of the par value of the bonds deposited, but shall not exceed in the aggregate the amount to which such bank may be entitled under the existing law.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That any banking association organized, or to be organized, under the National Currency act, and the acts amendatory thereof, may, in lieu of depositing with the Treasurer of the United States notes to an amount not less than $100,000, receive an equal amount of registered bonds of the United States of the kind and description provided for by section 3 of this act, and may receive the same as the security of circulating notes; and thereupon such banking association shall be entitled to and shall receive circulating notes upon the same terms and conditions and to the same amount as if the United States notes were deposited in the manner prescribed in the National Currency acts, and without regard to the limitation of the aggregate amount of the bonds authorized to be issued by said acts; provided, however, that as circulating notes are issued to any such association on an equal amount of United States notes shall be canceled and destroyed.

TRANSFER OF NAVAL APPROPRIATIONS.

On motion of Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, the joint resolution authorizing the Secretary of the Navy to transfer to the use of the Bureau of Construction and Repairs of Steam Engineering, such appropriations to the credit of the other bureaus in that department as may be required, was taken up.

Mr. SHERMAN said at the last session, Congress appropriated all the money deemed necessary for the Naval Bureau of Construction and Repairs, but the Navy Department went on to contract an expenditure twice the amount appropriated. The extent to which the Department had gone in making transfers of money without previous specific legislation by Congress was shown by the fact that upon the books of the Treasury it appeared that upon July 1, 1869, there was $145,000,000 among the permanents still appropriated and unexpended. Of this amount $47,000,000 belonged to the Navy Department. He proposed that Congress should not only put an end to the practice of the Departments in transferring appropriations from one source to another, but should provide for carrying all the unexpended balance at the end of each fiscal year to a surplus fund, from which appropriation would be made by special legislation. He favored the present bill, as it would enable the Government to proceed with the work now incomplete in the various navy yards, which, if left in their present condition, would be liable to injury from neglect and decay, and inflict loss upon the Government.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, explained that the bill did not propose the expenditure of a single dollar, but simply proposed the distribution of money already appropriated in the Navy Department. The question was simply as to the method of making the appropriation.

Mr. CRAGIN also explained the bill, and Mr. TRUMBULL argued against it up to the end of the morning hour. The bill was then temporarily laid aside.

BALTIMORE AND OHIO RAILWAY.

The bill relating to an extension of time for the completion of a lateral road of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad from Washington to Baltimore, was taken up. Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, withdrew his objection to the bill, and it was passed.

The Naval Transfer Appropriation bill was then taken up.

Mr. SHERMAN said it was the opinion of chief officers that the continuance of the present force was necessary, inasmuch that number of vessels were now undergoing repairs in the navy yards of the country.

Mr. CRAGIN said he was not informed as to the number, but knew that some were in an incomplete condition, and that it would cost a great deal more. The abrupt suspension of this work would entail serious loss upon the Government.

After further remarks by Messrs. RYE and CONKLING, Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, moved to amend by making a direct appropriation to the Bureau of Construction and Repairs of Steam Engineering of an amount equivalent to that proposed to be transferred from the other bureaus. And after more debate he moved to further amend by adding the words, "that the wages paid to the employes shall be at no higher rate than that which is paid by private citizens in the respective localities."

Mr. DAVIS said it appeared to be generally conceded that the Secretary of the Navy had administered the affairs of his Department in defiance of the law forbidding transfers of money from one bureau to another, and that such had been his incompetency and prodigality that in six months he had rushed through with the whole appropriation which Congress intended should last for twelve. Six thousand men had been discharged from the public service in consequence, and unless this appropriation was now made, other discharges of mechanics would follow. It was asked for under the head of "charity" in order that these men might have work through the Winter. The case thus made out was, he thought, the most unsatisfactory and objectionable that could have been devised.

Mr. SAULSBURY said the Senate a few days ago had made itself the dispenser of charity to the amount of $50,000 to the people of the District of Columbia, and in order that his individual sentiment might accord with that of a body so charitable, he would like to vote for the bill.

Mr. MORTON said the pretence that any incompetency upon the part of the Secretary of the Navy had been admitted in the present discussion was wholly unwarranted; that chief officer had always been considered an honest but trusting man. The only complaint against him was that he had expended the amount for the entire year in the first six months; but he had a right to spend it all in the first month if he saw proper so to do, not being bound to string out his expenditures through the year. He went on to argue that the deficiency in the original appropriation was the fault of the estimates made out by the preceding National Administration.

Mr. FOWLER believed the relief extended to the poor of the district to have been warranted by the necessity, but in the present case the impression was that had only been issued to employed, and an appropriation of $4,000,000 was proposed to be made in the twinkling of an eye to continue them in their places. If any one would show him that the Government was to gain anything, or the people benefited by suddenly throwing out many thousands of a large number of persons, he might be induced to vote for the bill; but the very request supplied abundant reason for his voting against it. He believed one-third of this force would be ample for the purposes of the Government at the present time. The expenditures of the Navy Department were enormous, and retrenchment was necessary, and it was time the people should know it.

The Chair stated the question to be upon Mr. MORRILL's amendment, when Mr. MORTON called attention to the fact that the proposition of the amendment was to override absolutely what was known as the Eight-hour law.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, in reply to an inquiry by Mr. CONKLING, stated that the amendment would secure the practical operation of the Eight-hour law precisely as it had been construed in regard to pay for the men employed by the Navy Department, and by the Attorney-General in regard to compensation per day for the number of hours employed.

Mr. CASSERLY said in voting upon the amendment he hoped he would not be considered as expressing any opinion upon the eight-hour question. He objected to any summary disposition of the question, and therefore would vote against the amendment.

Mr. WILLIAMS made a similar statement.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, said he denied that there was any law in existence by which the price of ten hours' work was to be paid for only eight hours' work. He had proposed to amend the bill declaratory of the meaning of the eight-hour law in this respect in order that the question might be settled.

The amendment of Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, was then adopted by yeas 20, nays 12, as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Bayard, Brownlow, Buckalew, Chandler, Conkling, Cragin, Davis, Dixon, Grimes, Ferry, Fowler, Gilbert, Harris, Howard, Howe, Howell, Kellogg, McDonald, Morrill of Vermont, Patterson, Pratt, Rice, Ross, Saulsbury, Sherman, Spencer, Tipton, Trumbull—26.

NAYS—Messrs. Bogman, Cassery, Cole, Cragin, Drake, Hamlin, Johnson, Lewis, Morrill of Maine, Morton, Nye, Osborn, Pomeroy, Robertson, Sawyer, Thurman, Thayer, Vickers, Warner, Willey, Williams, Wilson—20.

Mr. RICE moved the proposed appropriation being unusual, and in contradiction to the estimates of the present year, it should be subjected to the same scrutiny which all regular appropriations were compelled to undergo.

The whole subject was then laid aside in order to allow Mr. CONKLING to address the Senate upon the bill introduced by his colleague (Hon. E.) more effectually to preserve neutrality by the United States by repealing the Neutrality act of 1818.

NEUTRALITY—CUBA.

Mr. CARPENTER advocated the Repealing bill, but confined himself mainly to a reply to the positions assumed by Mr. SUMNER in a former discussion relative to the fitting out of the Spanish gunboats at New-York. He commenced by stating the three propositions asserted by Mr. SUMNER:

First—That the statute of 1818 was passed for a specific purpose, and was therefore inapplicable to the revolt in Cuba.

Second—That the statute only applies to a case of contest between two parties, both of whom are acknowledged as belligerents, and that the rebellion in Cuba has not attained to a condition to warrant Cuba to be recognized.

Third—That Cuba or Cubans may be levying war against Spain, but that Spain is only proceeding in exercise of her executive functions to establish her authority, and that Spain is a friend to Cuba, and therefore the United States was justified in detaining the *Hornet*, but would not have been justified in detaining the Spanish gunboats.

Mr. CARPENTER proceeded to show that these propositions were wholly untenable, citing at length from history, from diplomatic correspondence and from decisions of Courts in illustration of the fact that the act of 1818 had been applied to every rebellion and every war that had arisen from that time to the present, including the rebellion of Texas against Mexico, and the Crimean war. He contended that the statute applied to the case of a colony which had been a colony and parent state as soon as it could be said a state of war existed, and that this state of war did exist when civil Courts were closed and Government was unable to arrest and deal with the offenders by civil process. A state of actual public war existed in Cuba. He read at length from the report of the Spanish War Minister to the Cortes of Spain, showing the number of forces sent to Cuba within the past twelve months, in corroboration of this assertion. He paid his respects to Mr. SUMNER's theory of neutrality as announced in his speech on the Alabama claims, and maintained that the doctrine there assumed was anti-American, and could not be maintained without tying our hands from recognizing the belligerency or independence of the various colonies on this continent which might be expected to rebel against the tyranny of European Powers.

Mr. CARPENTER also denied the correctness of the position attributed to him by Mr. CARPENTER in regard to the applicability of the statute of 1818 to the case of the Spanish colonies alone. He said his application of the statute was to the case of the colonies which had already achieved a condition of belligerency, and that the statute was passed to meet such a case.

Mr. HOWARD inquired of the Senator from Wisconsin (CARPENTER) for some information concerning the present status of the insurrection in Cuba. He was assured there was in Cuba a hostile war-waging party, and if they desired the name of such a party they might call it the Cuban Republic. The fact was known, and the policy of the United States shaped so as to recognize that fact.

Mr. CARPENTER replied that the condition of things in Cuba was a condition of war, not of peace, and in support of his assertion referred to the statement in the annual message of the President, "that a people on our border had been struggling for more than a year to achieve their independence, and that to stay the bloodshed between that struggling people and Spain this great Republic had offered its good offices."

Mr. HOWARD said the President had not spoken of the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. His own recollection of the message was always he had understood from him of its tenor, to be entitled to the rights of a belligerent, a people must have a Government of their own with the attendant machinery of Government. Such, he understood, the Cubans did not now and never did possess.

The Vice-President laid before the Senate a communication from the President, in response to the Senate resolution of inquiry relative to the trouble in the Winnipeg territory, which was referred.

The Senate then, at 4 o'clock, went into Executive Session, and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

MEMORIAL AND PETITIONS.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, presented the memorial of cigar makers of Union No. 90, of New-York, praying for a tariff of $2 per pound and fifty per cent. ad valorem on all imported cigars. They say that few cigars are now made from imported tobacco, and that great numbers of workmen are thrown out of employment.

Petitions were also presented as follows:

By Messrs. STEVENS, BENSON and KELSEY, of New-York—Numerous petitions for the abolition of the franking privilege.

By Mr. WOOD—From the American Atlantic Cable Company, remonstrating against certain legislation.

By Mr. STORE—From Orlando Bennet Finance Manufacturing Company of Hartford, Conn., against further duties on steel.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Bills were introduced and referred as follows:

By Mr. FULTON—Amending the Homestead laws.

By Mr. POLAND—To provide for the publication and entry of evidence in contested cases before the Land Office.

By Mr. BANKS—A bill to provide for a post-road from the Mississippi State line to Yazoo City, Dakota. Passed.

RESOLUTIONS.

On motion of Mr. SHERRER the Tax bill was made the special order for the 1st of March, to be taken up after the Tariff bill.

Mr. HAWKS offered a resolution for a per capita tax of $1 $4, which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. SCHUMAKER offered a resolution instructing the Committee on Banking and Currency to inquire into the propriety of granting to any citizen of the United States the privilege of banking in all United States banks. Adopted.

EXECUTION OF THE LAWS IN UTAH.

Mr. CULLOM, from the Committee on Territories, reported the bill in aid of the execution of the laws in the Territory of Utah, which was recommitted.

The first section makes imprisonment at hard or cold jail, all who believe in, advocate or practice polygamy, concubinage or polygamy.

The fifteenth section enacts that any man in Utah Territory who shall live or cohabit with any woman or more other than his lawful wife, or his wife or wives, shall be adjudged guilty of the crime of concubinage, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by fine not exceeding $500, and imprisonment in the penitentiary at hard labor not exceeding five years.

The seventeenth section authorizes the United States Marshal, if needed or the Commander-in-chief shall deem it necessary, to call upon the troops in the Commander of any military camp in the territory for a posse.

The nineteenth section enacts that no alien practicing polygamy, polygamy or concubinage, or shall be subject to United States citizenship, for shall any polygamist hold any office of trustee, profit in the Territory, vote at any election, or be entitled to the benefits of the homestead or exemption laws.

The twenty-third section enacts that marriages in the Territory may be solemnized only by Justices of the Supreme Court, by Justices of the Peace duly appointed and qualified, and by any priest or minister of the Gospel regularly ordained and settled. It declares all consanguineous marriages incestuous and void, and punishable by twenty years' imprisonment in the Penitentiary.

The bill is very long, containing thirty-four sections.

SOLDIERS' BOUNTIES.

Mr. COBB, of Wisconsin, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill to amend the act of March 3, 1869, in relation to additional bounties, extending its benefits to the widows and children of soldiers who had enlisted for a less period than one year, and had been killed, or who had died in the service, the same as if these soldiers had enlisted for two years. Passed.

PROTECTION OF CITIZENS.

The resolution reported yesterday from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, calling on the President for information as to the treatment of American citizens in British prisons for political offences, came up, and was discussed by Messrs. MORRIS, of Illinois, WILLARD, a member of the Committee, against the report, and by Messrs. SWANN, WILKINSON and WOOD, also members of the Committee, and Mr. COX in support of it.

The morning hour expired without any action being taken on the report.

ADMISSION OF MISSISSIPPI.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, reported a bill to admit the State of Mississippi to representation in the Congress of the United States, and asked to have it put upon the passage. He said it was exactly word for word like the Virginia bill. Although himself and others of the Committee would have been glad to have changed it in some respects, it was thought best to admit Mississippi under the same conditions and provisions as Virginia. He would move the previous question; first, however, allowing his colleague on the Committee, (Mr. BECK,) to offer a substitute.

Mr. BECK thereupon offered his substitute declaring Mississippi entitled to representation without prescribed or conditions.

The vote was taken on Mr. BECK's substitute and it was rejected—yeas 56, nays 96.

Among the Republicans voting for the substitute were Messrs. Fitch, Burchard, Farnsworth, Ferry, Finkelnburg, Garfield, Hay, Hill, Jenckes, Kellogg, Ketcham, Lynn, Logan and Orth.

The bill as reported was then passed.

THE CONTESTED SEAT OF MR. VAN WYCK.

Mr. BUTLER, of Tennessee, from the Committee on Elections, reported, in the case of the contested election case from the Eleventh District of New-York, resolutions that Mr. GRINNELL, the sitting member, is not entitled to his seat, and that Mr. VAN WYCK, the contestant, is. He gave notice that he would call it up next Tuesday.

Mr. BURR presented the minority report with opposite results.

THE NAVAL DEFICIENCIES.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a bill to supply deficiencies for the navy, as follows:

Bureau of Steam Engineering, $1,000,000; Bureau of Construction and Repair, $2,000,000; Bureau of Ordnance, $1,000,000; Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting, $200,000; Bureau of Navigation, $250,000; Bureau of Yards and Docks, $50,000; total, $6,500,000.

Mr. DAWES explained the matter referred to by Mr. MORGAN as the extra allowance of 50 per cent. by the officers of the navy, under the order of the Secretary of the Navy, May 15, 1869. The allowances that had been previously made for fuel, lights, &c., had been abolished, and while the pay of the army officers and civil officers had been increased 50 per cent., no increase had been made in the pay of the navy officers. The Secretary of the Navy had fixed 50% per cent. as a commutation for the allowance. Whether that was a fair commutation might properly be the subject of criticism, but on the whole, he supposed that the Secretary of the Navy was authorized in making it. His own opinion was, however, that the commutation of all officers in the army, navy or civil life should be definitely fixed by law, and he would call the attention of the House to that point in the Legislative Appropriation bill.

Mr. MORGAN characterized the order of the Secretary of the Navy as the most atrocious act of robbery of the kind ever marched the attention of any head of Department, and he inquired of Mr. DAWES whether he meant to uphold the act abolishing the allowance to naval officers, and authorizing the increase of pay by one-third, by a simple order of the Secretary.

Mr. DAWES replied that he had not assumed to defend that order, nor the payment of a dollar under it, but he had thought it due to the Navy Department to give to the House the explanation which the Department gave to him.

Mr. KELLEY defended the legality and propriety of the order, and Mr. SCOFIELD defended the Secretary in making the order in question.

Mr. DAWES resumed the floor, and passing from this point, was proceeding to explain the bill, refusing to yield for further discussion of the point. Mr. MORGAN made a remark about the incomprehensibility of the gentleman from Massachusetts in attempting to hide and cover up an unauthorized expenditure of over $1,000,000.

Mr. DAWES replied that not one word had fallen from him in justification of the order, or in an attempt to cover it up. He had stated the facts, and had stated along with them that they did not make his approval. He then proceeded to state the circumstances which rendered the bill necessary, remarking, however, that he had been in favor of smaller appropriations, inasmuch as there was nothing in the affairs of the Government justifying large expenditures for the navy. In reply to a question of Mr. RANDALL, he said that the whole number employed in the navy yards was about twelve thousand, of whom about six thousand were employed in the bureaus for which these deficiencies were recommended.

Mr. RANDALL said that when Secretary BORIE took charge of the Navy Department there were between eight and nine hundred men in the Philadelphia Navy Yard, and within a month of that time the force was increased to twenty-five hundred without any public necessity whatever. The men now there were actually in each other's way, and in his judgment there was no justification for this expenditure. If these chops had been turned off, it would have been better and more economical for the Government.

Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, moved to reduce the appropriations in the bill to $1,500,000, and argued against useless expenditures for the navy in a time when there was no public necessity.

Mr. MAYNARD asked Mr. BENJAMIN how, with an inefficient navy, the Government could recognize the independence of Cuba? Was it wise to let the American Navy slumber while the navies of other nations were being strengthened, and while other nations were being awakened to the exigencies of the times?

Mr. BENJAMIN—Is the gentleman prepared to vote for the recognition of either the belligerency or independence of that island?

Mr. MAYNARD—I will answer the question very cheerfully by saying that from the information I have, I am not prepared to vote for it.

Mr. BENJAMIN—Then that gentleman has my answer to his question. I am not prepared to vote away large amounts from the Treasury for what does not appear necessary at this time.

Mr. MAYNARD—It is not what may be the opinion of the gentleman from Missouri or of myself as to the recognition of the independence of Cuba; but we know that many of our fellow citizens are prepared to recognize it, and that there are gentlemen in this House who are also prepared to recognize it. I have now in my eye one of them.

Mr. LOGAN (rising)—Yes, Sir, I am prepared for it.

Mr. MAYNARD—In view of that I submit that we should keep the navy in order.

Mr. BENJAMIN—I will tell the gentleman further that the Administration which he supports, and which I support, is not prepared at this time even to recommend the recognition of the belligerency of Cuba.

Mr. SARGENT advocated the bill and stated that although there were employed in the navy yards, under this Administration, twelve thousand men against five thousand under Mr. WELLES' administration, the twelve thousand had cost no more than the five thousand.

Mr. WASHBURN, of Wisconsin, a member of the Committee on Appropriations, said that he did not concur in reporting the bill, but was in favor of reducing the appropriation to $2,000,000. He expressed his belief that most of the vessels proposed to be repaired were utterly worthless as war vessels.

Mr. LOGAN—That is exactly what they are—old tubs.

Mr. BARRS, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, speaking as to the absence of any public necessity on a strong navy, said that no man could anything there was any danger of war, he would be the condition of the country a year hence. Those who had been there were talking glorious war with other Governments; but there was a public sentiment existing in this country which might bring on a conflict, and if the ships already on the docks for repair were not completed, what would the country do in such the emergency, which might arise, and which they hoped to be forever impossible or even improbable? Looking at it in another light, he said: Here were some 4,000 men thrown out of employment. The gentleman from Missouri (Mr. BENJAMIN) had said that Congress was not required to employ every idle man in the country. That he (BARRS) conceded, but that were not these men. These men in the employment of the Government were, without an instant's notice, thrown out of employment in an instant, at a time when the industry of the country is prostrated, and when none of them can gain employment. There was not a corporation, bank, railroad nor business or corporations over there was not an employer in the land, who would throw out of employment five thousand, or one thousand or five hundred men under circumstances of that character. The Government was bound by every consideration of justice, aye, even of decency, to give these men a reasonable notice before they were thrown out of employment, and unless this bill was passed it could not be done.

Mr. WASHBURN, of Wisconsin, remarked that an appropriation of $1,500,000 would enable the Secretary of the Navy to give them sixty days notice.

Mr. BARRS—Yes, and then they would be thrown out again. When the Secretary of the Navy asks us for an appropriation and funds already appropriated to the amount of four millions of dollars, that he may complete the work which will enable 15 men completed, and that he may employ the men there unjustly and summarily discharged, I think we ought to give him that full amount and leave the responsibility with him.

Mr. SCOFIELD spoke in support of the bill.

Mr. CALKIN did the same, and in the course of his remarks asked what gentlemen from the east meant by "really talking" about the navy. Did they know that while these vessels were going to decay, the Government would be losing double what it would cost to put them in repair?

Mr. BENJAMIN (Retired, as he was from the West, that the gentleman from New-York would inform the House how many naval vessels were in commission.

Mr. CALKIN said he had not the figures by him, but he knew that three or four of the finest vessels in the navy were now on the stocks in the Brooklyn Navy Yard for repairs.

Mr. LAWRENCE asked Mr. CALKIN whether he had ever seen a prairie schooner. [Laughter.]

Mr. DICKEY, another member of the Committee on Appropriations, supported the bill, remarking that when the present Administration came into power the whole navy was out of repair, not a single vessel having in a preceding year been repaired and fitted for sea.

Mr. LOGAN asked him what use would our wooden vessels be if they should meet an iron fleet?

Mr. BARRS—Admiral FARRAGUT will give you an answer to that.

Mr. DICKEY—Wooden vessels were found very effective under Admiral FARRAGUT and Admiral PORTER in the late war.

Mr. LOGAN—How would it be if they were to meet iron vessels?

Mr. BARRS—The effect of wooden ships against ironclads was well shown in Mobile Bay. I heard Admiral FARRAGUT say, many a time, that he would meet any iron-clad with the wooden vessels he had under his command.

Mr. RANDALL remarked that as the cause of Cuba had been revoked, the most crushing blow yet given to that cause had been given by the President in his last message. He had hoped that the President, if he could say nothing in behalf of that cause, would at least have remained silent and given it no damage.

Mr. LAWRENCE said that if these ships were constructed they would not at the whatever or be ready for service for years, and if them had been sold within the last two or three years. The question of free Cuba had been lugged into the discussion, but did any gentleman propose to make war to liberate Cuba? They should at least wait until they had declared war, and then make all necessary preparation. He was unable to see any reason for the expenditure, and if there was no prospect of war, they should go on with these expenditures for the navy. It was time to come to a peace establishment.

Mr. DAWES closed the debate, intimating that while he presented and supported the bill, he had not been in favor of appropriating that amount. He declined to say, however, in answer to an inquiry by Mr. ELDRIDGE, what amount he did favor.

Mr. WILLARD inquired of him whether the Committee was influenced by consideration of public necessity, or by the fact that so many men had been thrown out of employment at this season of the year.

Mr. DAWES thought that both considerations had had their influence.

After some further discussion, the vote was taken on the amendment offered by Mr. BENJAMIN, of Missouri, to reduce the appropriation for the Bureau of Engineering to $500,000, and for the Bureau of Construction to $1,000,000, and it was agreed to without a division, the yeas and nays being refused.

The bill as amended was then passed, and the House at 4:30 o'clock adjourned.

The Wrecks: Mystery Partly Solved.

The main facts related yesterday in regard to the discovery of the bodies of the three WEBB children are substantiated by later reports, which also furnish many painful though interesting details. It seems that one of the hunting parties had in its search been at the top of the mountain overlooking the very spot where the children were found, but for some reason had not descended to search at the base. The search seems to have been more thoroughly prosecuted in another direction, or towards Kingwood. When found, the youngest boy, who was about 7 years old, was on his face covered over with the eldest brother's coat and a pile of leaves scraped together. Next and parallel to him lay the second, 9 years old, his head on the younger one's feet, and his feet drawn up and bounded of his clothing (which it is supposed in the delirium which preceded his death he tore from him.) by the elder brother, the lower part of his face, one cheek and both his hands eaten away. Near the bodies was the pail they had taken to gather nuts in. The body of the middle one was not disfigured, but the feet of the younger was almost entirely gone between the chest and the thighs, probably a prey to the weasels and wild cats. Words cannot truly picture the unspeakable pity which this recital must call up in the heart of every reader. The bodies were removed on Wednesday, to the house of a Mr. DEMOREST, where, at 10 o'clock yesterday, a jury was summoned to attend. The verdict can be readily anticipated by all who have read the sad accounts of the affair. The reward offered for the discovery will be promptly paid to Messrs. RAMSEY and SUTER, the finders. The funeral service over the bodies of the children will take place this morning, at 10 o'clock. The deepest sympathy with their parents is expressed by the people of Wyncoke and Paterson, and the day of sad scene in this tragedy will doubtless be marked in the country annals. The day such a throng as rarely assemble in that secluded valley.

The Late Richard Stout—Meeting of Merchants.

A meeting was held yesterday at the office of Mr. ISAAC H. BAILEY to pay proper respect to the memory of the late RICHARD STOUT, one of the old leather and hide merchants of the Swamp.

Mr. J. S. SCHULTZ called the meeting to order, Mr. VALENTINE E

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

Puello's Campaign—The Cuban Villas—A Steamer Captured—Valdesoro's Proclamation—The Bustle—Bloody Success Classic.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, Jan. 29, 1870.

PUELLO'S campaign has turned out a partial failure. The results expected from it have not been obtained, and JORDAN made such a stubborn resistance, that even the official Gazette is compelled to acknowledge a great many killed and wounded. Rumors had been for some time in circulation that PUELLO, who left Puerto on the 22d of December last, had met with a severe check. But the journals kept very silent about it until Thursday, when a telegram was published announcing that PUELLO had reached Baga, a small town about six miles from Puerto. The steamer Servesana brought further particulars yesterday, and the best account (Spanish, of course,) appears to be that of an eye-witness, and published in the *Diario*, a journal by no means reliable, as having lately published all sorts of cock and bull stories. It appears that after leaving Puerto, PUELLO was continually harassed until he reached a place called Jesquin or Juan Rodriguez on the 1st of January, where JORDAN, who by a vote of the so-called Cuban Chambers has been substituted for the unlucky QUESADA in the command of the Cuban armies, awaited PUELLO and "gave him fits." The Spaniards were received with cannon and musketry fire, the first discharge killing and wounding over seventy Spaniards according to persons who took part in the fight. Having only one cannon, and the Spaniards being provided with several, the advantage in that respect was on their side, and after a severe fight, the Spaniards took the intrenchments, but had been so weakened as to compel them to retreat to Arroyo Hondo. There PUELLO remained fifteen days, until he managed to secure five carts on which to transport his wounded, the troops meanwhile suffering great hardship from want of provisions. This is a Spanish version, and published by the *Diario*. Making due allowance for these very important facts, we must naturally conclude that JORDAN gave PUELLO a great deal more than he bargained for, to put a mild construction on the affair. But this engagement, although important in itself, because it differs a little from the *Diario's* memorable bruised soldier, will not materially affect the ultimate result. The next engagement we hear from will undoubtedly be that between JORDAN and GAYTRENOUE, the latter having left Puerto Principe to attack the former, with a division of over 4,000 men for that purpose. The losses in the engagement between PUELLO and JORDAN are estimated at near 400 Spaniards killed and wounded, and about an equal number of Cubans. Of the wounded on both sides but very few will recover, neither party having sufficient medical assistance or the necessary bandages.

CIEGO VILLAS.

The seat of war having temporarily been transferred to the eastward, and the Cubans heeding a respite from the incessant persecution of the Spanish troops, but few skirmishes of any importance have taken place. Colonel SANTERN had an encounter with the insurgents at Camino near Remedios, when he destroyed their encampment and announced that twenty-four insurgents were killed and many wounded, and that three soldiers were killed and twelve wounded. A number of families were found in a very destitute condition in the insurgent encampments near Villa Clara, in the Arate Mountains. A subscription in favor of these Cuban families was raised by Spanish soldiers and citizens. A few insurgents were killed near Sancti Spiritus, and about the same number of soldiers. FREDERI GRAS, the Chief of Staff of General CAVADA, had been captured and brought to Cienfuegos, his former residence, where he was shot, together with his brother RAMON GRAS, who acted as an agent of the insurgents. The *Diario* adds that both brothers asserted that they had been willing to leave the insurgents, but that they could not retire because they would certainly be assassinated if they sought to do so.... A few engagements of minor importance had taken place between Puerto Principe and Ciego de Avila, on the line towards Moron. A reconnoissance made by Colonels LAQUIDAIN and OLLO from Aguada del Santo resulted in the destruction of several abandoned insurgent encampments, and also of one on the coffee plantations of Vega Grande, which was captured after a prolonged skirmish, the troops possessing themselves of three cannon and a number of small arms.

CAPTURE OF A STEAMER.

The Spanish man-of-war *Hernan Cortes* captured a small steamer and brought it to Nuevitas. No further particulars have been received, but judging from the small size and crew of the boat and her suspicious manner of hovering about the coast, it is surmised that she was trying to run into some bay and take passengers proceeding from the insurrectionary districts to some foreign country. Reports have been in circulation for some time that prominent revolutionists, some of them suffering from sickness or wounds received in battle, have been trying to reach Jamaica or Nassau in small boats, while others desired to send their families to a place of safety.

VALMASEDA'S PROCLAMATION.

General VALMASEDA has sent in his official report to General RODAS, in which he states that the Eastern Department is thoroughly subjugated, and that he intends to take the command of the forces now in operation in and around Las Tunas. The district of Cuba is especially particularized as free from insurgents. Subsequent official information, however, shows that General VALMASEDA has been rather hasty in preparing his report, inasmuch as large bodies of insurgents have been successfully attacked by Colonel LARCAMARA and other officers of his division. Guantanamo and Baracoa have never been much troubled, but it is doubted here whether Manzanillo and Liguani are as free from the invisible rebels as the General would make us believe.

"THE CODE OF HONOR."

The steamer *Alliance*, which left yesterday for Key West, took Mr. GONZALO CASTAÑEDA, the editor of the *Voz de Cuba*, as a passenger. A little journal, published in Spanish at Key West, in the Cuban interest, called the *Republican*, made some very unpleasant remarks about CASTAÑEDA and the rest of the Havana editors. The editor of the *Prensa*, like a sensible man and a philosopher, paid no attention to it; the *Prensa*, always ready to swallow an insult, and to offer one gratuitously whenever the opportunity presents itself, made but a slight allusion to it. CASTAÑEDA, of the *Voz*, whose waning popularity needed a little stimulant, but whose personal valor and liberal views are beyond reproach, accepted the affront and sent a challenge, which was immediately accepted by Mr. REYES, the editor of the Key West paper.

MISCELLANEOUS GOSSIP.

The tobacco crop in the Vuelta Abajo will be a poor one in many districts, the want of rain having killed or injured many plants; this will produce suffering among the many small planters, the dearth also preventing them from raising their supplies of provisions.... A trial was made with the 100-pound Parrot on the new gunboat, the best itself behaved remarkably well. At the first discharge of the gun loaded with a spherical shell the gun ran back seventy-eight centimetres, less than half of the distance which the carriage is intended for to run back, and on the second discharge the robut was but eighty-one centimetres. The carriage is pronounced a great success by Spanish and American engineers. QUASIMODO.

Personal.

Mr. Estrada and Mr. Palgar, of the Spanish Legation; Paymaster F. Clark, of the United States Navy, and Charles Dwight, Esq., of Boston, are at the Albemarle Hotel. Judge Sherman, of Washington; Hon. James Broadhead, of Cornwall; Hon. Geo. P. Tew, of Providence, and General Rattelle, of Washington, are at the Astor House. Hon. J. L. Williams, of Indiana; Hon. C. W. Pierce, of Boston; Hon. Henry Keyes, of Vermont; Hon. John L. Dawson, of Pennsylvania; Hon. John M. McCullough, of Pittsburg, and Dr. J. B. Whitehead, of Virginia, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. General Schenck, of Ohio; Gen. D. E. McCarthy, of Syracuse, and E. Cutler, Esq., of Maine, are at the Fifth-avenue Hotel.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

There seemed to be an increased activity in real estate matters yesterday, if one might judge by the large attendance at the Exchange Sales room. It was occasioned by the prospect of the sale of a portion of the estate of the late Colonel JAMES HAMILTON. It was a partition sale by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of JAMES MAURICE, referee, by JAMES M. MILLER, auctioneer. The bidding was rapid and fair, indicating on the whole an increase of disposition to buy on the part of real estate dealers. The following-described property was ordered to be sold: No. 126 Cedar-street, 37 feet from the corner of Washington, was bought by F. BUTCH for $8,200; No. 128 Cedar, house and lot, 18x86, purchased by JACOB WEEKS for $7,300; No. 141 Washington-street, lot 18x86.4, knocked down to Mrs. M. BRODERICK, at $8,025; No. 108 West-street, 17.3x87.4, sold for $19,000; No. 110 West-street, 20.4x100, purchased by Mr. DUERING, for $20,600; the Jersey Hotel, No. 71 Cortlandt-street, 48x108, by SAMUEL MASON, for $28,500; No. 45 Cortlandt-street, 18x92, by ROBT. PRANON, for $17,025; the Northern Hotel, Nos. 79 and 81 Cortlandt-street, corner of West-street, was bought by SAMUEL MASON for $76,500; Nos. 104 and 106 Washington-street, each 24x82.11, by SAMUEL MASON, for $15,000 apiece; No. 300 Washington-street, corner of Beach-street, 20x60, by MARTIN HANKEN, for $19,700; No. 302, next house, same dimensions, by Mr. DUERING, for $8,250; No. 44 West Fourth-street, late No. 300 Fourth-street, 22x86.6, by EDWARD J. ROBERTS, for $16,050. The terms of this sale obliged the payment of forty per cent of the purchase money by the 1st of March; sixty per cent could remain on bond and mortgage for three or five years.

The firm of E. H. LUDLOW & Co. sold at auction yesterday a five-story and cellar brick store and lot, No. 530 Pearl-street, north side, between Madison and Frankfort-streets, lot 16x102.8x16, under direction of JOHN SEDGWICK, special receiver. It brought $33,000. The same firm also sold for $20,500 the five-story and basement brick store and dwelling, No. 109 Greenwich-street, west side, third lot south of Cortlandt-street, 20x60.8x100 feet.

ARNOS BURNELL, real estate broker, No. 388 Sixth-avenue, has sold the house and lot No. 450 Fifth-avenue, belonging to the estate of C. M. CONNOLLY, to REUBEN W. HOWES, firm of HOWES & MACY, bankers, Wall-street. Price, $130,000. Size of house, 32.8x74; lot, 32.9x110.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By James M. Miller.

H. and I. No. 128 Cedar-st., 11x62.8 ..... $8,900
H. and I. No. 126 Cedar-st., 18x84 7,300
H. and I. No. 141 Washington-st., 18x86.4 8,000
H. and I. No. 109 West-st., 17.4x87.4 19,000
H. and I. No. 110 West-st., 27.8x100 20,000
H. and I., Jersey Hotel, No. 71 Cortlandt-st., 48 x108 28,000
H. and I. No. 79 Cortlandt-st., 25x60 17,000
The Northern Hotel, Nos. 79 and 81 Cortlandt, corner of West-st 76,500
H. and I. No. 104 Washington-st., 24x82 15,000
H. and I. No. 106 Washington-st., 24x82 15,000
H. and I. No. 300 Washington-st., corner of Beach-st., 20x60 19,700
H. and I. No. 302 Washington-st., 20x60 9,250
H. and I. No. 44 West 4th-st., 22x86.6 16,050

By E. H. Ludlow.

5-story brick H. and I. No. 530 Pearl-st., 32.10x 97.8x100 ..... $33,000
5-story brick h. No. 109 Greenwich-st., 20.5x60.8x irr. 20,500

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK CITY.

Ann-st., n. s., 25.1 ft. n.w. of land of P. Fanton, thence n. e. 60.8 ft., thence n. w. 12 ft., thence s. e. 19.1 ft., thence s.w. 19 ft., thence s. w. 55 ft., thence s. w. 25.1 to beginning, thence s. e. 25 ft. to beginning, n. w. land of P. Fanton, 25x100 ..... $100,000

Mercer-st., n. s., 75 ft. w. of Howard-st., 25 ft., thence n. e. 65.10 ft., thence s. e. 25.10 ft., thence s. w. 122.10 ft., thence n. w. 9 ft. to beginning, 34x100 20,000

Hester-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Lewis-st., 25x100 10,000
Charles-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of Bleecker-st., 20x84.10 17,500
Bayard-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Bowery, 25x96 12,000
Chittenden-st., No. 7, 18x70 10,000
7th-st., s. s., 425 ft. w. of Avenue C, 25x100 10,000
15th-st., n. s., 167 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x100 10,000
21st-st., n. s., 470.7 ft. w. of 8th-av., 19.9x88.9 ..... nom.
24th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x98.9 12,000
26th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25.4x98.9 7,000
34th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x98.9 4,000
36th-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 11th-av., 50x98.9 6,000
40th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x98.9 3,000
117th-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 10th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
121st-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
123d-st., n. s., 350 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
124th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
125th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 14,000
126th-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
128th-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
129th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
130th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
131st-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
132d-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
133d-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
134th-st., n. s., 225 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
135th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
136th-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
137th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
138th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
139th-st., n. s., 475 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
140th-st., n. s., 525 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
141st-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
142d-st., n. s., 125 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
143d-st., n. s., 175 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
144th-st., n. s., 225 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
145th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
146th-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
147th-st., n. s., 375 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
148th-st., n. s., 425 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
149th-st., n. s., 475 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
150th-st., n. s., 525 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
151st-st., n. s., 575 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
152d-st., n. s., 625 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
153d-st., n. s., 675 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
154th-st., n. s., 725 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
155th-st., n. s., 775 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
156th-st., n. s., 825 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
157th-st., n. s., 875 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
158th-st., n. s., 925 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
159th-st., n. s., 975 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
160th-st., n. s., 1,025 ft. w. of 11th-av., 25x100.11 1,500
Avenue C, n. s., 22.11 ft. w. of 9th-st., 21x92 10,250
Lot No. 1,164, Delancey's map, Norfolk-st., 22x100 12,000
Lot No. 1,304, Delancey's map, Lawrence-st., w. s., 25x87 10,000

Leases.

24-av., No. 201, 5 years, per year $600
Lawrence-st., e. s., 112 ft. n. of Broadway, 5 years, per year 700

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Baltic-st., n. s., 102.10 ft. w. of Clinton-st., 25x100.2 ..... $20,000
Chestnut-st., s. e. s., 400 ft. n.e. of Irving-av., 25 x100 375
Chestnut-st., n. s., 425 ft. e. of Irving-av., 25 x100 375
Chestnut-st., s. s., 500 ft. e. of Evergreen-av., 25 x100.8, all ft. e. of Lot 1 4,250
Clymer-st., s. s., 125 ft. w. of Lee-av., 20x100, h. and l 3,700
Greenpoint, s. s., 250.7 ft. w. of Union-av., 25x100 500
Conner-st., s. s., 225 ft. w. of Bedford-av., 19.7x 100 7,500
Hoyt-st., w. s., 40 ft. n. of Atlantic-st., 20x70 7,500
Indiana-st., w. s., 100 ft. of Oakland-st., 25x100 600
Irving-place, n. s., 50 ft. n.w. of Stockholm-st., 25x100 225
Madison-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of Wyckoff-av., 25x100 225
Magnolia-st., s. s., 100 ft. n. w. of Irving-av., 25 x100 175
Monroe-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of Reed-av., 25.4x127.8 1,000
Reed-av., 200 ft. e. of, and Gates-av., 400 ft. s. of, rear lot, 18.6x32.7x16.11 1,000
Sumner-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of Clinton-st., 100x125.5 ..... nom.
Poplar-st., n. s., 175.6 ft. e. of Columbia-st., 18.7x 102.6 10,000
President-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of Hicks-st., 25x100, h. and l 5,000
Quincey-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 25x100 600
Quincey-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of Nostrand-av., 25x 100, h. and l 6,400
Richardson-st., n. s., 80 ft. e. w. of Sullivan-st., 20 x100 ..... nom.
Tillary-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of Stanton-st., 25x100, q.c. ..... nom.
Walworth-st., w. s., 100.6 ft. n. of Middle-st., 25.1 x90.11, 4 fts. 10,000
Grand jurisdiction, Feb. 1, 1870.
Great jurisdiction, Feb. 1, 1870 12,000
Wyckoff-st., s. s., 140 ft. w. of Hoyt-st., 25x100 10,000
Leighton-st., s. s., 101 ft. e. of Court-st., 20.8x100.1 5,000
Kingsland-st., e. s., 125 ft. n. of Meserole-st., 25 x100 20,000
1st-place, centre line, 150 ft. e. of Court-st., n. s., 25 x100 5,000
South 1st and 2d-sts., n. w. corner, 50x—, to Two Rod road 15,000
South 3d-st., n. s., 100 ft. e. of 4th-av., 25x100 8,400
South 7th-st., n. s., 50 ft. e. of 3d-av., 25x98 3,000
11th-st., n. s., 325.1 ft. w. of 4th-av., 25x100 4,000
Coney Island plank road, n. s., 175 ft. e. of Johnson-st., Flatbush, 118.4x— to Poplar-st., —x— 10,000
Gates-av., n. s., 425.6 ft. w. of Vanderbilt-av., 18 x75 10,000
Greene-av., n. s., 25 ft. w. of Reed-av., 25x100 1,000
Long Island Railroad, e. s., 378.1 ft. s. of Fulton-st., —x— 300
Ralph-av., w. s., 80 ft. s. of Madison-st., 20x— 3,000
Ralph-av., w. s., 20 ft. s. of Madison-st., 20x— 2,000
Ralph-av., w. s., 20 ft. n. of Madison-st., 20x— 2,000
Ralph-av., w. s., 20 ft. n. of Madison-st., 20x— 2,000
Sth-av., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Madison-st., 20x81.11, 4 fts. 4,000
10th-st., n. s., 225 ft. w. of Gowanus-av., 25x100 2,000

New-Utrecht.

First of 8, of Lefferts (Lefferts farm) new Edition, 20 acres, 19 perches $5,000

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Greenburgh.

Chatterton Hill road, s. s., 200 No. 26, Chatterton ville $500
Orchard-st., n. s., adjoining John Dewey, 16x72 200

East Chester.

9th-st., e. s., lot No. 149 Central Mt. Vernon, 40 x100 800

Rye.

Collegeway, e. s. s., 99 ft. n. w. of Main-st., 50x100 ..... $2,000

West Farms.

Union-av., e. s. w. s., 50 ft. s. w. of Bathgate-st., 25 x216 2,000
Dove-st., n. s. s., adjoining Michael Lynch, 25 x100 1,000

QUEENS COUNTY.

Newtown.

22 acres, map property of W. Cornell, deceased $2,100

Long Island City.

Lots Nos. 11, 12, 14, 15, block No. 9 A. Rank Mack $1,200

Flushing.

2 acres salt meadow, Van Wyck's property $100
Maple-st., e. s., adjoining Edward S. Hicks 100

Bedford Centre.

Merrick and Jamaica plank road, e. s., Davison's property 800

Jamaica.

Hempstead and Jamaica turnpike, n. s., adjoining Bell's 40 acres, Tilson $2,000
Union-av., e. s., 1,003.5 ft. s. of Fulton-st., 50x132 7,000

Sales of L. and I. No. 2, Fulton-market, of Fulton-st., n. s., adjoining lot No. 20 on Gold-st., 1,000
Sales of L. and I. No. 3, Fulton-market, of Fulton-st., n. s., adjoining lot No. 20 on Gold-st., 1,000

Bronx.

Gerard-st., n. s., 50 ft. w. of Willis-place, 50x 100 ..... $4,000

Morrisania (City).

Vyse-st., n. s., 187 ft. w. of Clermont-av., 22.6x87, Pelletin-av., lot No. 14, Van Vorst Heights Company's map, 22x100 3,700

Fordham.

Lots Nos. 1 and 2, section No. 16, Grover map, January, 1869 ..... $375

Westchester.

Lots Nos. 11 and 16, map of Nile's property, 50x 100 ..... $410

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Hawes-st., n. s., 157 ft. from Clark-st., 17x88 3,100
Grove-st., n. s., 100 ft. from Morland, 25x110 1,300
Bellevile-av., e. s., adjoining A. E. Parker's, 50 x— 3,000
Walnut and Mulberry sts., n. s., corner, 100x97 24,000
Cedar-street, w. s., adjoining G. Hadley's, 50x 100 3,100
12th-av., n. s., 50 ft. from s. of 19th-st., 50x100 750

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Unionday, s. s., 445 ft. from John-st., 50x100 ..... $900
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Opposite the s. end of Bird's Dam, 15.78-100 acres $1,000

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West 24th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., brown stone.
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West 47th-st., between 5th and 6th ave., brown stone.
West 126-st., between 5th and 6th ave., brown stone.
West 45th-st., near 6th-ave., brown stone.
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To London	105	To London	40
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MORRO CASTLE, Captain B. ADAMS, Feb. 17.
COLUMBIA, Captain E. VAN SICE, via Nassau, Feb. 24. For freight or passage apply to

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4:00 P. M., Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.

4:30 P. M., Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via H. S. Railroad, also N. Y. C. and M. S. Railroad, (daily).

11:30 P. M., night express, sleeping cars attached.

For A. M. 8:30 and 5 P. M., Poughkeepsie trains.
For A. M. 8:15 and 5:30 P. M., Peekskill trains.
3:00 and 6:30 P. M., Sing Sing trains.
6:00, noon, 4:30 P. M., Hastings trains.
(6:30 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)

Nov. 18, 1873. J. H. TOUCEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE DEPOT at foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st. as follows:

Through express trains leave Chambers-st. at A. M., 12 A. M., 4:30 P. M. (daily); leave 23d-st. at 7:40 A. M., 12 A. M., and 4:10 P. M. (daily.) New and improved Drawing-Room Cars are still accompanied by Pullman's Palace Hotel Dining Cars, between Jersey City and Buffalo with unequaled Pullman Sleeping Cars through to Cleveland and Galion. Sleeping Cars will accompany the 10 A. M. train from Hoboken to Buffalo, Cincinnati and St. Louis. Sleeping Cars through to Cincinnati via the Air Line train leaving daily at 8 P. M.

For Port Jervis and way, at 8:30 A. M. (Sundays, 8:45 A. M.), Chester, County Seat, Goshen, Florida, Middletown and Unionville.

For Middletown and way, at 3:30 P. M. (2:45 on Sats.)

For Newburgh and way at 8 A. M., 3:30 and 5:30 P. M. (Sundays, 7:45 A. M., 3:15 and 5:30 P. M.)

For Suffern and way, 8 A. M. and 4 P. M. (2:45 on Sats. and 5:45 P. M.) Theatre train, 11:30 P. M. (2:45 P. M.)

For Paterson and way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:40 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 2:45 P. M. (daily.) 5:45 P. M., 6:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 7 A. M., 8:45 A. M., 11 A. M., 2:15 P. M., 3:45 P. M. and 5:30 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 6 A. M., 8 A. M., 10:45 A. M., 1 P. M., 3 P. M. and 6:15 P. M.

For Rutherford and way, at 7:45 A. M., 3:45 P. M. (Sundays, 9 A. M.) and Stamford only, 11 P. M. (daily.) From Chambers-st. Depot, at 6 A. M., 8:15 A. M., 3:30 P. M., 4:30 P. M. and 6:30 P. M.

Tickets for passengers not for sale on the trains. Baggage checked at residences. Tickets can be obtained, and baggage for the checking and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's offices, No. 241, 526 and 938 Broadway; corner Fulton-st. and Atlantic; 241 Fulton, near Nassau; corner Fulton-st. and Washington; 241 Fulton-st. (Brooklyn) and 241 Hudson-st. (Jersey City), and at the agents at the principal hotels.

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6:30 A. M. (Sundays, 8 A. M.), 8:30 P. M. express for Babylon and way. 8 A. M. (Sundays, 9 A. M.) for Babylon (Sundays excepted). 3:45 P. M. express for Babylon, on Saturdays through to Patchogue. 5:30 P. M. for Babylon and way. Leave Babylon for Brooklyn, 7:30 A. M. express, connecting at Valley Stream, through the Merrick and only station.

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NAVIGATION STILL CONTINUES open between New-York, Albany and Troy. The steamer CONNECTICUT, of the Inland Line, will leave this TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY, from Pier No. 44, North River, foot of Spring-st., at 5 P. M. Freight taken at low rates. Passengers and freight taken at low rates.

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FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND ALL points on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads, Fare $1. Steamers leave Communipaw at 10 noon.

FOR NEW HAVEN, HARTFORD, AND ALL POINTS NORTH.—Steamers leave Peck-slip and New Haven at 5:15 and 11 P. M.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

SUPREME COURT.—IN THE MATTER of the application of the Mayor, Aldermen and Commonality of the City of New-York, relative to the widening and extending of Lexington-avenue, from Fifty-ninth-street to the Harlem River, in the City of New-York.—We the undersigned Commissioners of estimate and assessment in the above-entitled matter, hereby give notice to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants, of all houses and lots and lands and premises affected thereby, and to all others whom it may concern, to wit: First—That we have completed our estimate and assessment for the purpose of all the premises taken, damaged or affected by the said improvement, and that such lots, pieces or parcels of land so affected thereby, and the map by us prepared in the same, do remain for their objections in writing, duly verified, with George E. Van Brunt, Jr., Chamberlain's Office, Room No. 64, in the City Hall, New-York, (Room No. 64 is in the City, on or before the 8th day of March, 1874, and that we, the said Commissioners, will meet at our office, in the City of New-York, on the 9th day of March, 1874, and for that purpose will be in attendance at our said office on each of said two days, at 12 o'clock M. Second—That the abstract of the said assessment and estimate, with the map, or a copy thereof, and also all the affidavits, estimates and other documents which were used by us in making our report, have been deposited in the Chamberlain's Office in the City of New-York, where the same remain until the 16th day of March, 1874. Third—That the limits embraced by the assessment aforesaid are as follows, to wit: All the lots, pieces or parcels of land situated in the City of New-York, bounded and contained within the following limits, that is to say, on the west by a line parallel to Fourth-avenue and distant twenty-five feet westerly from the westerly side thereof, and extending from the northerly side of the street or avenue known as Fifty-ninth-street, to the east by a line parallel to Third-avenue and distant five hundred and twenty feet easterly from the easterly side thereof, and extending from the northerly side of the street or avenue known as Fifty-ninth-street, to the north by the centre line of Ninety-eighth-street; and on the south by the centre line of the blocks between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets; on the south by the northerly side of Twenty-third-street, on the west by a line parallel to Third-avenue and distant three hundred and twenty feet westerly from the westerly side thereof, and contained as follows: on the north by the centre line of the blocks between Sixty-sixth and Sixty-seventh streets; on the south by the northerly side of Twenty-third-street; on the west by a line parallel to Third-avenue and distant three hundred and twenty feet westerly from the westerly side thereof; and on the east by a line parallel to Third-avenue and distant five hundred and twenty feet easterly from the easterly side thereof;

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

The Mayor and a deputation of the Common Council of Baltimore, on route for Washington to attend the funeral of Mr. FRANKLIN, called on the Mayor's office yesterday, and, in the absence of his Honor, were received by Marshal WOODEN. They visited the Governor's room and the Courts, were introduced to several members of the Common Council, and subsequently drove to the Central Park. They leave the City this morning.

Rev. WILLIAM H. PENNINGTON delivered the third of a series of lectures last evening, at the Fifty-third-street Baptist Church, in aid of a fund for the erection of a new Baptist place of worship, before a large audience. The subject was "Jerusalem Within and Without," and the lecture embraced a description of the Holy Land, through the Holy Land. Mr. PENNINGTON gave a vivid detail of his impressions of Palestine, and the habits and customs of the Turkish, and a narrative of his visit to the pyramids, interspersed by the sulkiness and intricacies of the Sphinx. The lecture was replete with excellent and useful anecdotes, and was enthusiastically applauded.

The Lecture Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association announce four lectures by Professor NORTON, M. B., of Bellevue College, to be delivered on successive Friday evenings in February. The subject is "Health and Disease." Professor NORTON delivers his fully and beautifully illustrated course of the opposite Saving Institute, specially prepared for the occasion. His subject is a novel one, but his large experience as a Professor of Opthalmic Diseases and the simple illustrations cannot fail to make the lectures instructive as well as interesting.

Judge HAUGHTON has checked under the plaintiff in the case of BERNARD TO. COHEN, covering the full amount claimed, $20,000. Another case, judgment against Michael PATRICK BYRNE yesterday, paid a visit to Hon. JACOB JOSEPH, and pocketed his money and wagon for their trouble.

The officers and members of Company F, Eighty-fourth Regiment, of whom the late Major RICHARD VAN CRANDAN was Captain, presented at the Hall, last night, their former Captain, to Green-Wood Cemetery.

ABRAHAMSON TAUSIG, a member of the Assembly from Albany in this State, has issued circulars to the workingmen, calling attention to the objects of the organization, and giving information regarding the method in which labor unions in the Assembly District may be formed.

At the Essex Market Police Court yesterday, before Judge BOOTT, THOMAS BOLDT, FRANCIS BLACKMAN and EDWARD WARD were charged with stealing tobacco worth $100 from the premises of Mr. JOSEPH BAISON, No. 4 Monroe-street. The prisoners pleaded guilty, and were held to answer in default of $1,000 bail. THOMAS LYONS was charged, at the instance of Detective MOSHER, No. 41 Bowery, with stealing a dog collar worth $15, valued at $25, and committed for examination.

The Grand Jury of the Hudson County Court of Over and Terminer has filed about 100 indictments, and Prosecutor HAS DISCHARGED with the unusual labor of two trials in the Paterson-street murder case, has not felt justified in further taxing his strength by proceeding with any of the election fraud cases.

A pleasant literary and musical entertainment took place at Masonic Temple, Williamsburg, last evening, on the occasion of the installation of the officers of Friendship Union Lodge, No. 194, I. O. of G. T. Addresses were made by Colonel E. B. LAMBERT and Captain JOHN A. HARTRANFT. Songs and recitations filled out the remainder of the evening's exercises. The following are the officers of the Lodge who were installed: E. M. Jones, Worthy Chief Templar; J. G. Hyde, P. W. Chief Templar; Charity Dennis, W. Vice-Templar; George H. Dennis, Worthy Secretary; Julia Hunt, W. Assistant Secretary; Louis H. Vogel, W. Financial Secretary; Mary W. Conlin, W. Treasurer; Thomas Smith, Worthy Marshal; Susan Griffin, W. D. Marshal; George W. Foster, Worthy Chaplain; Ann Mott, Worthy Inside Guard; Benjamin D. Westfall, W. Outside Guard; Elizabeth Westfall, Right Supporter; Rebecca Thompson, Left Supporter; Harry J. Vogel, Lodge Deputy.

The body of Mrs. CATHARINE ROBINSON, who was drowned with her husband last Saturday night, was identified by her daughter as she lay dead at No. 10 Madison-street, New-York, on Tuesday, the day after she was drowned with her was her second husband, to whom she had been married about a year.

The Beekman, Hoyt and Bergen streets Railroad has been purchased by Messrs. THOS. BELL and HARVEY HAINES. They express a determination to make it a first-class road. The cars are at present, in very bad condition, and any improvement will be cordially welcomed by passengers who travel on that route.

The connection between Police and Fire Commissioners' Headquarters by telegraph was completed yesterday. The new signals will begin to be used on the 15th inst.

The office of Mr. ARCHIBALD BLISS, Water Commissioner, at the City Hall, was crowded yesterday by anxious Navy Yard men beseeching him to save them from starvation. Each man's name was taken down to his apparent relief.

ELLEN and EVA CLEMENTS and KATE BROWN, the female girls who were arrested the other night on charge of picking pockets, were yesterday discharged by Justice DOWLING, and Wm. S. CLEMENTS and Jos. CLEMENTS, parents of the girls, charged with receiving the proceeds of the robberies, were held to await the action of the Grand Jury. The husband was committed in default of $1,000, but the wife was sent to jail. Both are Germans.

JOSEPH R. LAURENS, merchant, residing in Classon-avenue, near Sackett-street, was arrested yesterday on a charge of perjury. The charge was preferred by PETER LYNCH, who alleges that in an action in the City Court, in which Mrs. LYNCH was plaintiff, the accused, through his false testimony, MR. WM. H. HOLTON, recovered. The prisoner waived examination, and was held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

WM. GLANEY was arrested yesterday, charged with stealing $60 from the coat pocket of his room mate and fellow boarder, WM. BURNIE. GLANEY admitted having committed the crime, and was held to await the action of the Grand Jury.

LONG ISLAND.

Mrs. LYDIA WILLIAMSON, of Franklinville, a lady 85 years of age, set out from home last Monday to visit a sick friend, and on the way stopping to rest at the house of a neighbor, suddenly expired in her chair. She had enjoyed good health up to the day of her death, and only a week before had walked five miles in the same day.

Huntington Post Office has been designated a money-order office by the Post Office Department.

On the Sag Harbor branch of the Long Island Railroad the track is within one mile of Southampton. A strike on the road among the workmen has delayed it somewhat at present. The track layers are all at work, but the ballasting is suspended.

CHARLES H. PAYNE, of Sag Harbor, has been appointed First-Assistant Keeper of Montauk Point Light in place of ELIAS WALES, resigned.

A new depot on the Flushing and North side Railroad is being erected by the Company at Flushing, in conjunction with the depot of that place. It will not be surpassed by any depot on the line, except those at Flushing and at Hunter's Point.

Constable DENIS CARLL, of Queens County, has been found guilty of extorting from Wm. SIMMONS, a United States soldier, whom he had arrested for being drunk and disorderly, a promise to pay him $5 and in consideration of his release from jail. The jury recommended him to mercy. He has not yet been sentenced.

At the recent special elections held at Newton, JOHN WINTERS was easily beaten by Constable JOHN CAROL. WINTERS is confined to his bed. Justice MCKENNA has issued a warrant for the arrest of CAROL.

The robbers of Mr. LEFFERTS BERGEN, at Hyde Park last Friday, have been traced to Greenport by Sheriff DURLAND of Queens County. Sheriff DURLAND with two Deputies arrived in the village Tuesday, but they had left, and it is supposed are travelling West towards New-York. The officials of both Queens and Suffolk Counties are on the alert, and probably will bag the game before long.

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

About a week ago, it was noticed in our columns that a Mr. BROWN, a blacksmith of Dobb's Ferry, had surrendered his wife to an assistant workman by the name of BERNARD THIEN, to whom she was married by the Methodist minister of the village, BROWN becoming a boarder of the newly-married couple. It now appears that THIEN, after enjoying matrimonial bliss for one week, decamped for parts unknown, as it is alleged, because he could not get possession of certain property belonging to Mrs. BROWN, and that the deserted Mrs. BROWN, finding herself without a protector, called upon Mr. BROWN to resume his former relations with her as husband, which he acceded to.

The contractors having the opening of Berrian-avenue, between Fordham and Williams' Bridge, in the town of West Farms, in charge, have resumed work on the road, and are pushing it with the utmost vigor.

NEW-JERSEY.

ALFRED JAMES BOWE was arrested in Jersey City yesterday on a charge of having obtained $407 from his employers in Hollidayville, Penn., under false pretences. He was just about to be board one of the Cunard steamers which sailed yesterday when he was taken into custody.

The Joint Committee on amendments to the charter of the new consolidated city are busily engaged in sorting out the flaws in that instrument. The result of their labors will be presented to the Legislature in a few days.

The Grand Jury of the United States District Court, of Mercer County, has found seventeen bills of indictment and been discharged. Its members signed a memorial to the Legislature praying for imprisonment for life in lieu of pay and allowance. The Trial Session commences next Tuesday.

In the Hudson County Court of Quarter sessions, yesterday, MICHAEL RILEY was sentenced to the County Jail for one month for having beaten his wife, and PATRICK MALONE, for a theft, for three months in the County Jail. The trial of PATRICK SCANLON and PATRICK MORGAN, for burglary, charged in the recent spree at Long Dock, was the chief event.

It was reported that the late accident upon the Newark Railroad had been attended by total results. The report was somewhat exaggerated. No persons were killed, though several were badly injured.

At a meeting of the Common Council of Hudson City a resolution was adopted requesting the legislative representatives of Hudson County to oppose the passage of the bill to relieve the Newark and New-York Railroad Company of the necessity of constructing bridges at crossings. A resolution offered by Alderman HARRINGTON, that the Mayor and Alderman MCNULTY and MARTINO act as a committee to request JAY GOULD to relinquish the Erie stribunes, was adopted.

Yesterday afternoon a German tailor named FLAUGE, while in company with a friend on Oakland-avenue, Hudson City, stepped off the sidewalk into a hollow, and sank down dead. Coroner BURNETT was notified. The deceased is supposed to have resided in Newark.

On Wednesday evening Cosmo Lodge of Free Masons, No. 108, was instituted at Newark, Deputy State Grand Master Wm. E. Fitz and several other prominent Brothers of the Brotherhood took part in the ceremonies.

A young man residing in Newark has just died of consumption, superinduced by dissolute habits. During his sickness his family and relatives utterly deserted him, and notwithstanding the exertions of Dr. ONDONE, refused to visit him even in his dying moments. Rev. Mr. [illegible]

A HEAVY FORGERY.

Frauds on the Newark City Treasury—A Forged $20,000 Warrant—Supposed Flight of the Forger.

Yesterday afternoon the Treasurer of the City of Newark received a call from a boy of 17, who presented a city warrant, drawn in proper form, and signed by Mayor RIGGS, for $20,000. The boy demanded payment, and the Treasurer, being evidently aware the Treasurer took it and commenced counting out the money. He had counted $18,000, when he discovered that he had left his money in his office, and it was full. He therefore requested the bearer to call again, and he would meantime draw on the city funds in bank for the remaining $2,000. The boy took his warrant and left.

It was not then known that the warrant was fraudulent, and the signature of the Mayor, a person in the employment of the City Treasurer, had the audacity to forge the name of the Mayor, and had forged a number of warrants, which he put into the City Treasury. According to the statement of the lad, made to his employer in Jersey City, the forger has for a number of months been engaged in a systematic course of embezzlement, and that his thefts have amounted to $18,000. These frauds could have been easily detected, and the perpetrator detected in wind up his affairs with a large swindle and fly to Canada. He took the Jersey City lad into his confidence, paid him $100 for his services, and sent him to the City Treasurer with the forged warrant. Upon learning that the money could not be paid without a warrant, returned the warrant to the forger, saying he would have nothing more to do with it. The latter, learning of the failure of his plans, immediately left the City, it is stated, for San Francisco.

These facts, which are still unknown to the city authorities of Newark, were communicated last evening to a private detective in Jersey City, who immediately went to Newark to obtain the aid of Chief of Police CLARK in tracing the facts of the case, and, if possible, the fugitive clerk. Whether the Mayor's name is a fictitious one, or, if not, in what precise manner they have been carried out, or whether the forgery of the $20,000 warrant is the first that has been perpetrated, cannot be known until the officers of the Newark City Government are apprised of the facts above stated, and have had time to make their investigation.

Installation at the Greenpoint Presbyterian Church.

Rev. WILLIAM HOWELL TAYLOR was duly installed as Pastor of the Greenpoint Presbyterian Church last evening in presence of a large congregation. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. T. WEBB, D. D., of Williamsburg. After the usual constitutional questions had been propounded and answered by the pastor and the people, Rev. H. J. VAN DYKE, of Brooklyn, delivered the charge to the pastor, and Rev. R. P. BYRAD, D. D., delivered the charge to the people, and at the conclusion of the services the new pastor was duly welcomed.

Rev. Mr. TAYLOR graduated at Yale College, studied theology at Princeton, and subsequently spent a year in foreign travel. His first settlement was at Clifton, Staten Island, where he served acceptably for two years, and soon after the breaking out of the war he received leave of absence from his Presbytery, accepted the superintendency of the Christian Commission in the Department of the South. After his return to his church, he was requested by the officers and men of BARCOM'S brigade to return to the field, which he consented to do, and accepted the chaplaincy of the Forty-eighth Regiment of Brooklyn Volunteers, under the command of Colonel PERRY. In this capacity he served until the end of the war, when he was mustered out of service. A new enterprise which has been conducted at Titusville, Penn., then extended a call to him, which was accepted. There he faithfully labored until the church numbered 200 members. The church at Greenpoint, where he enters regularly upon his duties next Sunday, is in a prosperous condition, having in connection with it a Sabbath school well manned with vigorous and earnest teachers. The prospect is very flattering.

Labor Meetings Last Night.

A mass meeting of piano makers was held last night at No. 30 Stanton-street. The object of the meeting was to discuss the propriety of agreeing to the terms of STEINWAY & SONS, who are willing to pay all branches of the trade, except the bellymen, at a rate only about one per cent less than the old rate. The men were, as a general rule, inclined to resist the reduction, and seemed determined to stand by the bellymen. Nothing decisive was determined on.

The Bricklayers No. 2, who are on a strike on the work of the new Hudson River Railroad Depot, met last night at Masonic Hall. The report of a Committee, who had been sent to see Mr. VANDERBILT, was to the effect that the Company, having been informed that work was being done on other buildings for $4 per day, they would pay no more. There are only six bricklayers at the Depot building, and some measures will be taken to get them to leave off.

At a meeting of the Paper Hangers' Society, at No. 629 Broadway, last night, the following named officers were elected for this year: E. Martin, President; Thomas Graham, First Vice-President; William Rietman, Second Vice-President; F. J. Burke, Secretary, and F. H. Conkley, Treasurer.

The Turf—The Trotting Association Congress.

Yesterday the Convention of delegates from the associations throughout the United States met at 2 o'clock P. M. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations. The latter being unprepared to report a postponement until 8 P. M. was taken. On reassembling at that hour, after the Convention had been called to order by the President, Captain RICHARDSON, the chairman of the Committee on Rules stated that they had not completed their labors, on account of their great importance, and asked for a further adjournment of the Convention until 11 o'clock M. Friday, which was accordingly done.

The Secretary, Mr. GEORGE SMITH, read a telegram from ANDREW McCALLUM, Esq., President of the Narragansett Association, expressing his deep regret at his inability to attend the Congress, and his earnest sympathy with and hearty appreciation of the work of reform of the trotting turf.

The Tenement Tragedy.

CHRISTIAN HANSEN, indicted for manslaughter in the second degree, in having caused the death of MILTON L. CARPENTER, at Tremont, on the 7th day of January, by striking him on the head with a wooden ballot, was placed on trial at White Plains on Thursday afternoon. The trial was continued during the whole of yesterday. The case was still on at a late hour.

The Bloomingdale Murder.

Those who knew MINER, the murderer of Stace, at Bloomingdale, N. J., are loud in their denunciation of him and his past life. He is accused of having once, in company with a brother, planned the murder of their father, a plot which the suspicions of the latter prevented them from carrying into effect. He has been in the State Prison at Trenton two years and a half. On the night of the murder he was heard by one man to say of Greco that he would "knock out the top of his head right and he had the thing in his pocket to do it with."

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DOMESTIC MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 3.—EXCHANGES unchanged. FLOUR steady. WHEAT dull and lower; spring, No. 1, 91½@92c. Sales; in the afternoon quiet and lower for No. 2; 90c. bid, seller March. CORN firm at 41c. for regular No. 2; in the afternoon firm at 41½c. OATS steady at 32½@33c. for No. 2. RYE dull and steady. BARLEY inactive and nominal; No. 2, 70c. WHISKEY firm at 90c. 90½c. asked for regular. Pork, lower, seller 10 days, $16 25@16 37½, seller March, $16 37½, buyer March; $16 50, buyer April; $16 75, buyer February. LARD unchanged. MEATS steady, SHORT RIB DRY SALTED, 15½c. for Boxed Sides; 15c. for Short Ribbed Middles; 14½c. for Short Clear. BULK MEAT, DRY SALTED, steady and tolerably active, at 15 12½@15 25 for Common to Fair Cover; 15 37½@15 50 for Good; 15 62½@15 75 for Extra Cheap Sides. Live Hogs dull with a large supply; $4 50@4 75 for Common to Fair; $4 75@5 for Good; $5 25@5 50 for Extra Cheap Sides. Live Hogs dull with a large supply; $4 50@4 75 for Common to Fair; $4 75@5 for Good; $5 25@5 50 for Extra Cheap Sides. Live Hogs dull and lower; sales at $3 90@4 20, including at $4 20 for Heavy Shipping Hogs. RECEIPTS—4,000 bbls. Flour, 12,000 bushels Wheat, 24,000 bushels Corn, 1,000 bushels Oats, 1,200 bushels Barley, 4,000 Hogs. SHIPMENTS—1,000 bbls. Flour, 17,000 bushels Wheat, 14,000 bushels Corn, 4,000 Hogs.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.—TOBACCO firm and unchanged. COTTON nominally low. FLOUR—Low grades easier and wanted; Superfine, $3 50@3 62½; Extra, $3 75@4; Family, $4@4 25. WHEAT easier; No. 2 Fall, $1 26@1 27; Fall, $1 25; Spring, $1 20@1 25 for No. 1 Red Fall, $1 16@1 18. CORN—Best grades firmer; Mixed, 38@38½c. OATS—Mixed, 31@31½c. RYE—Mixed, 80c. BARLEY—Nominally dull. HAY—Prime, $20@21 50 for Choice. LIVE HOGS quiet; Good to Choice, $4 60@4 80. WHISKEY dull at 90c. PROVISIONS—Pork dull at $16. LARD—Nominally dull. BULK MEAT—Shoulders, 10½c.; Clear Ribs, 14c.; Clear Hill Sides, 14½c. BACON quiet; Shoulders, 11½c.; Clear Ribs and Sides, 15½c.; Clear Hill Sides, 15½c. BUTTER—Choice steady, at 25@26c. EGGS—Firm at 20c. CHEESE—Prime, 9@9½c. for Choice. LIVE HOGS quiet; Good to Choice, $4 60@4 80. WHISKEY—Lower, 90c. PROVISIONS—Pork, $16. Bulk Meats—Shoulders, 10½c.; Clear Ribs, 14c.; Clear Hill Sides, 14½c. Clear Sides, 15½c. BACON—Shoulders, 11½c.; Clear Ribs and Sides, 15½c.; Clear Hill Sides, 15½c. LARD—Tierces, 16